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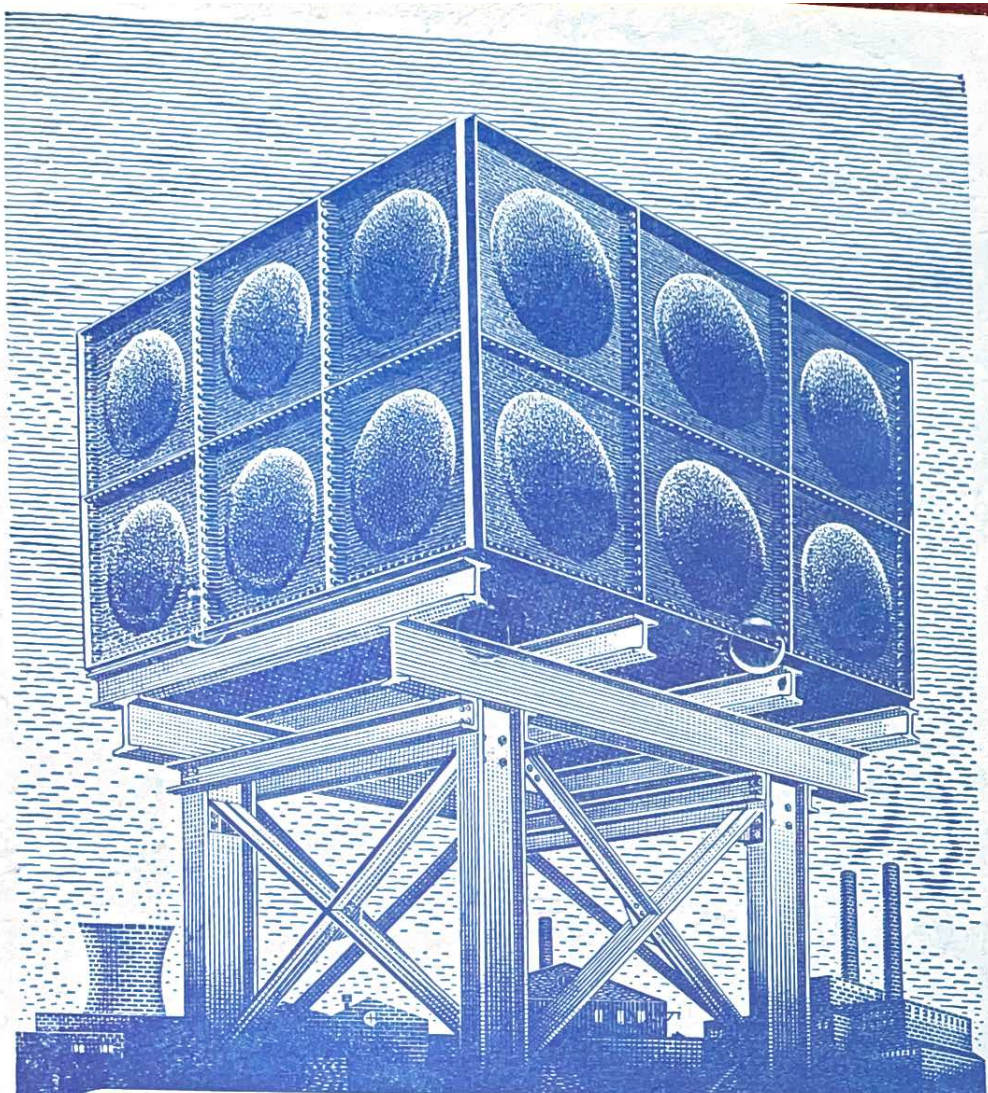

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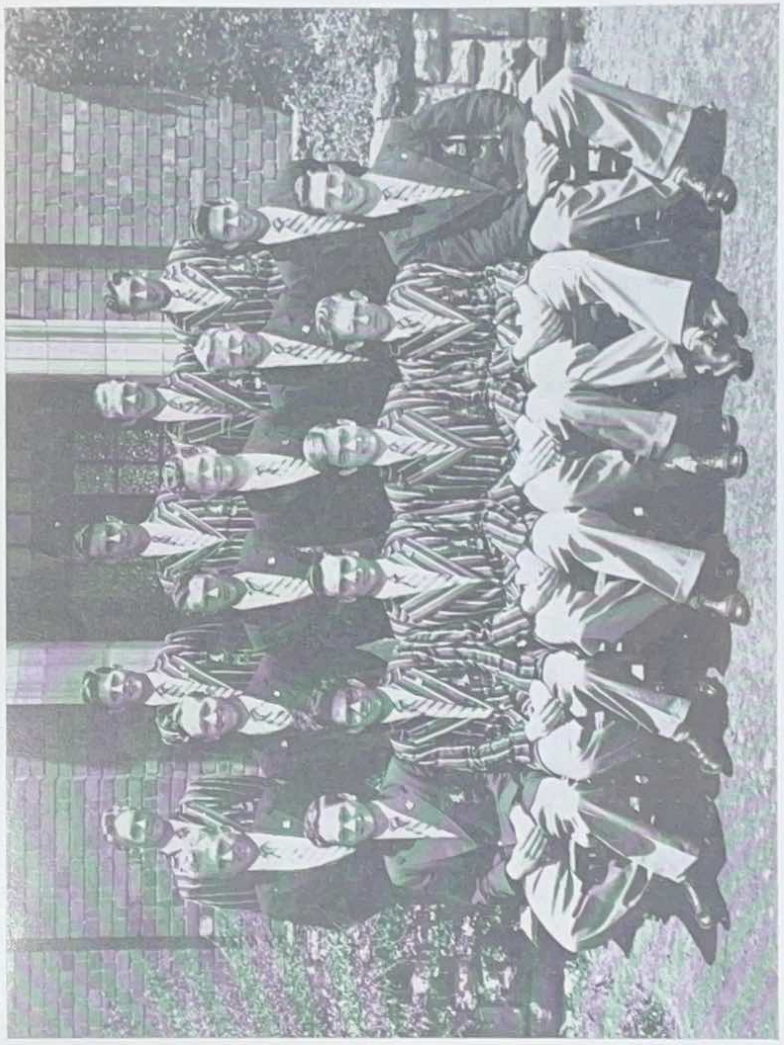

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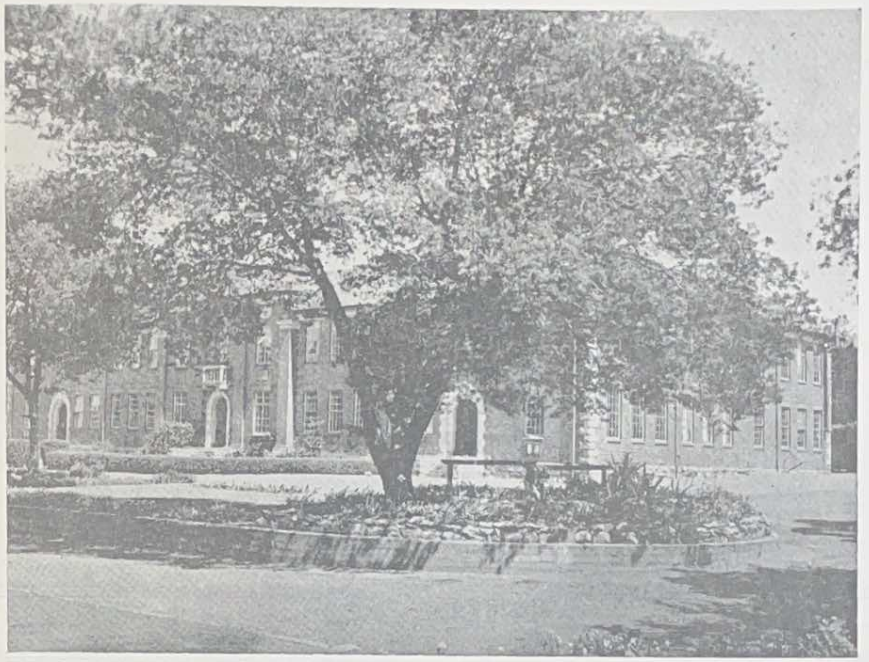

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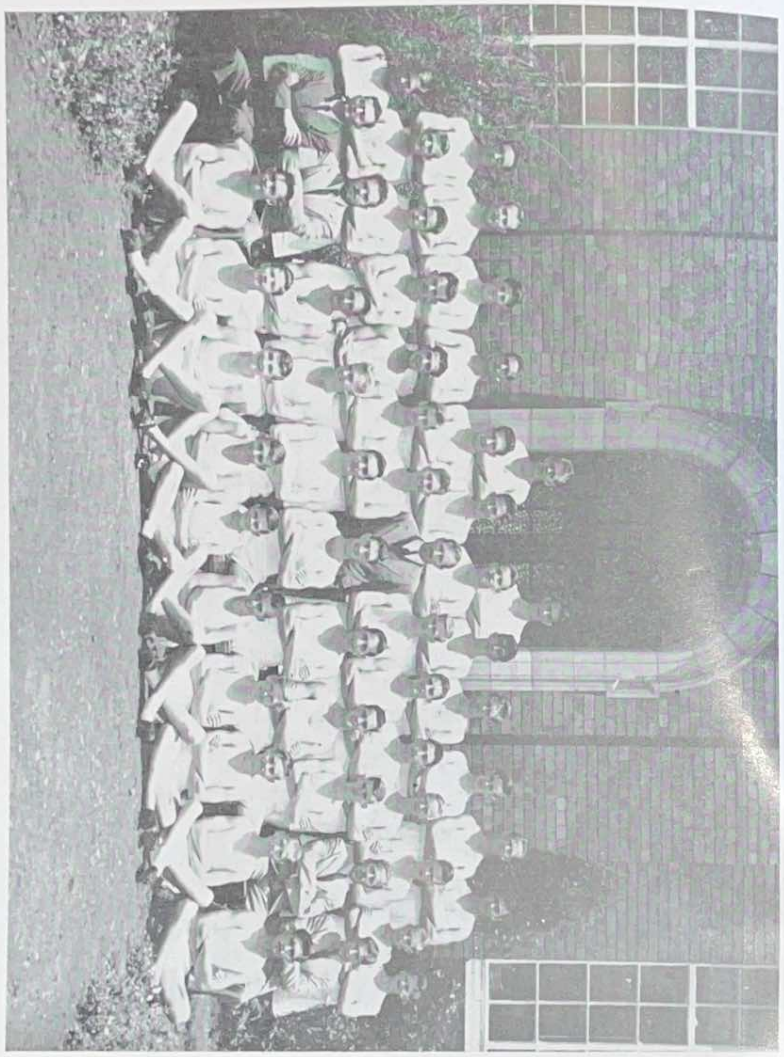

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EDITORIAL.

What is a school? Answers come promptly: school is a drab, dreary and desolate institution for the torture by trained tormentors of innocent children; a collection of play rooms and fields equipped with ink, chalk, saws, rugby and cricket balls for the delight of six hundred untamable ruffians; a place of learning where the philosophy, graces and art of living are studied; an unnatural invention where one is forced to write English as it is not spoken, to learn what Archimedes thought up in his bath, to understand why dead people did foolish things that no longer matter or why $x + y = z$. The definitions are endless in number and vary according to the definer's age, mood, occupation, which century or country he lives in, and what he expects from life.

Our world may be regarded as a very complicated machine consisting of thousands of wheels, cogs and levers, each performing its function according to its character, each depending on another. The smallest, but most important, such wheel is the individual; gradually increasing in size are those which represent the family, clubs and societies, towns, provinces, states. As a machine cannot work perfectly unless each part is doing its job and is in perfect working order, so the society of man cannot produce peace and happiness unless every section of it knows its job, knows its dependence on others and that others depend on it. In a machine there is no question of every cog for itself and the devil take the rest: in our human society every man is too often for himself—and we see the results all about us. We have yet to learn the greater loyalty, not to ourselves, but to others; not only to our families, clubs, cities or countries, but to the whole of mankind.

Where can we learn this lesson better than at a school such as ours? Here every class of society is represented, every type of individual is found; clubs, societies and games all claim our attention at once. A school can be a place where future world citizens learn to work together, tolerate different opinions and discover that loyalty to others is really loyalty to themselves.

Most people, even school boys, will agree with these sentiments in theory. Practice is much more difficult—but you get plenty of opportunities for it at school. As a school boy you are often faced with a conflict between what you would like to do and what your school friends or masters expect you to do. Making the right decision may seem to demand sacrifice of your personal freedom; but that is only an illusion: for you will discover that pleasure and triumph are greater, and failure less important, when they are shared. From loyalty to your team, society or house you will pass to loyalty to your school as a whole. The quality of a school depends on every pupil in it; and the better the school, the finer its pupils; pride in your school breeds pride in yourself.

A school, then, is a world in miniature; and if your attitude to your school is right, your attitude towards the world at large must be right.

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NOTES AND NEWS

Staff and Pupils

The year began with too many boys for too few teachers. The enrolment in January was a little over 600, but we were short of two teachers, according to the scale laid down.

This meant that we necessarily had several very large classes. In July our staff numbers rose to 26; it was then possible to re-divide Form II into more manageable groups. In the fourth term, however, we were again short of one teacher, and free periods had to be sacrificed by the whole staff.

It is pleasing to note that during this year the drift away from the school by boys anxious to start work at the earliest possible moment has been slightly less than in previous years. There are still more than 580 boys on the register in the final term. We expect to have a small increase next year in the size of our matriculation classes.

At the beginning of the year we welcomed Mr. J. C. Durand to our permanent staff. He is eagerly looking forward to the completion of our new Art Room. We wish him a long and happy stay in our midst.

In the third term our temporary staff was augmented by the arrival of Mr. H. G. Wilsenach and Mr. W. T. Gregor. Their advent was very welcome, but we were compelled to bid farewell to Mr. Gregor after only one term, when he accepted a permanent post in Swaziland.

From the beginning of this year we have had the services of a full-time Secretary, Mr. J. H. Vergers. A railway pensioner, he quickly settled down to the routine of a boys' school; we hope it will be a long time before he decides to leave us.

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For the last term of the year we have had to carry on Manual Training without the services of Mr. Lightbody. We were all glad to know that an operation on his foot had turned out well, and we wish him a sound recovery. For most of the fourth term we were fortunate to have Mr. L. Jansen with us as a temporary replacement for Mr. Lightbody.

This year we have welcomed a visiting speech therapist, Miss Hurwitz, whom we congratulated in June on becoming Mrs. Dubb. Mrs. Dubb's weekly visits have been a real help to boys suffering from speech defects. The Education Department is to be congratulated on establishing this form of therapy in the schools.

In October of this year we congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Webb on the birth of a daughter, their second child.

Since the last magazine was published, towards the end of last year, a second son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. du Plessis. To them also we offer our congratulations.

Our congratulations also to Mr. Le Roux on his marriage in July. We wish him every happiness.

To Mr. Roux, who lost his wife recently, we should like to extend our deep sympathy.

Governing Body.

There have been no changes in the membership of the Governing Body. We congratulate Councillor E. Baker, and ourselves, on his re-election as our Chairman.

We thank him and the other members for their steady interest in our welfare.

Parents/Teachers Association.

There is an account elsewhere of the formation and activities of our new P.T.A. The School is grateful for the splendid work of this Association and the eagerness with which various fund-raising and social activities have been carried out. As a result of the Annual Ball in April and the Braaivleisaand in October, our War Memorial Fund total was increased by about £350. In addition, the Parents' Committee, the forerunner of the P.T.A., raised about £40 from an interesting competition held during the Christmas holiday at the end of last year.

The Ladies Committee of the P.T.A. has carried on the good work of serving refreshments at numerous social functions and has continued to arrange lunches and teas for the Saturday cricket matches. Many thanks, ladies!

The Inspectorate.

We wish Dr. J. van Tonder every happiness in his new circuit. In his comparatively short stay on the East Rand he had shown himself to be a good friend to the School. He has now been transferred to Johannesburg. In his place we welcome Mr. P. J. du Toit, who came to the East Rand in October.

Buildings.

For the whole of this year, as for most of last year, we have "had the builders in." There has been a great need for tolerance and patience on both sides, as litter and dust have accumulated, and as pedagogues and pupils have compromised over rights of way with plumbers and plasterers and painters. At times the noises of construction have made teaching a job for supermen, and have even drowned the cheerful babbling and gleeful laughter of Form Ia.

However, the peace has always been amicably kept; and out of the chaos and rubble we have been gratified to see our new block of buildings rise and come into use. We already have seven splendid new class-rooms, two vast Manual Training Centres, a tuck-shop (which has been given a special report of its own in this magazine), a large ablution block and some new store-rooms. Before this report is printed we hope also to have our new library in use. The old building will itself have a new look too. We shall start next year with a new staff-room, an art-room, a vice-principal's office and a modern cloak-room for the male staff, all in the old block.

We are greatly indebted to the Provincial Administration for all these improvements and additions. Our one regret is that, for reasons of economy, it was not found possible to provide the new block with a tiled roof.

The War Memorial.

A start has been made on the erection of our War Memorial Pavilion. In the early part of this year the Provincial Administration built a changing-room block in the grounds, and sanitation has recently been installed. There are two changing-rooms, each equipped with five showers. The contribution from the War Memorial Fund was £300; we must be grateful to the Administration for providing the bulk of the funds for this building, which will be the basement of the future pavilion.

It is still necessary for the School to raise £2,000 or £3,000 for the completion of the the pavilion scheme.

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Ground Development.

In the first term of 1954 the lower, undeveloped ground, for so many years an eyesore, was levelled, at the Administration's expense. This welcome help has been somewhat nullified by the lack of top-soil above the solid and unforgiving mass of ouklip, making the planting of grass on the new ground a futile process until large sums of money have been spent, presumably from School Funds.

In the meantime, the torrential November rains have added to our troubles by causing formidable washaways in the new embankment on the North side of the ground.

Our ground development plans have had a great set-back recently in the withdrawal from local schools of prison-labour, which, even if it was slow-moving, was at least cheap.

Games.

The introduction this year of semi-compulsory games (applicable to those boys whose parents entered their sons' names on the lists for compulsory rugby, cricket or athletics) has had a good effect on school spirit. Our games field and the masters who take games have never been more fully occupied.

The winning of the annual sports match against Springs Boys' High and the Marist Brothers was the highlight of the year outdoors, and was an indication of the healthy spirit in the school. The revival of the inter-House Swimming Gala was another good sign.

Ties.

The introduction this year of Prefects' and First Team ties has been a popular step. The bright designs of the new ties, and the honour of being allowed to wear them, have gladdened the hearts of the privileged, and, we hope, inspired others with the right kind of ambitions.

Thanks.

The School is grateful to the United Building Society for its generous offer of £50 a year, to be used as a bursary fund to assist selected senior boys; and to The Natal Building Society, for its annual book prizes.

We thank, too, the Germiston Rotary Club for renewing its offer of a bursary of £25 a year to be awarded to a promising senior boy; and for the presentation of two eland's heads. The carved head mounted on a shield — a fine piece of work — is already in use as the trophy for the Leading House of the Year. The stuffed head will adorn the South wall of the Hall. We are also indebted to the Rotary Club for meeting the transport expenses of various vocational visits to local industries.

EXAMINATIONS

Congratulations to the following boys who passed the Matriculation Examination at the end of last year:—

First Class:

Davidson, A. N.; Elias, E. H. (Distinctions in Mathematics and Hebrew); Waugh, E. J.

Pass:

Allan, K. D.; Andrew, G. D.; Armstrong, J.; Baird, J. W.; Dorfan, S. E.; Kessel, M. D.; MacConachie, A. W.; Matus, H. L.; Rusch, K.; Shepherd, R. A.; Smit, J. G.; Sprout, E. T.; Stange, D. B.; Taylor, J. A.; Thomas, E.; Venter, R. H.; Wilson, D. B.

Laër Taalbond:

Congratulations to:- Biddle, D. K.; Dorfan, S. E.; Elias, E. H.; Kessel, M. D.; Kristal, E. M.; Matus, H. L.; Reynierse, M.*; Venter, R. H.; MacConachie, A. W. and Taylor, J. A. on passing the Laër Taalbond Examination in 1953.

(* Hoër Graad met Lof)

HONOURS AND AWARDS

The **Dux Scholae** for 1953 was Elliott Hilton Elias, who had the best Matriculation result.

The **Old Germistonians' Cup,** awarded annually to the best all-rounder in Form V, was won in 1953 by Joseph Wallace Baird.

Baird obtained a very good pass, just short of a First Class, in his Matriculation examination. He was Deputy-Head Prefect, Captain of his House(Botha), Captain of School Rugby and Vice-Captain of Cricket, and a prominent athlete. He was also the winner of the Pirie Cup for the most efficient student-officer.

The Voortrekker Centenary Bursaries:

This year for the first time the Municipality offered two University bursaries to the English-medium schools, one of them being specifically for teacher-training. (There was a similar increase in the awards to the Afrikaans-medium schools).

Congratulations to Ronald Venter and Douglas Wilson, who won the two bursaries for English-speaking pupils. Both bursars are now at Witwatersrand University, studying for the B.Sc. degree. "Dougie" Wilson hopes to begin teaching in 1958.

PRIZE-GIVING — 1953.

This was held on the evening of 25th November. Despite heavy rain the hall was filled to capacity. The Chairman of the Governing Body, Mr. E. Baker, outlined the progress made and planned for the school, and called on the

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obviously responsive parents for their support. The Headmaster made a special appeal to boys to take up teaching as a career, prophesying that calamity was around the corner if the present shortage of English-speaking teachers continued. We welcomed to the school the Mayoress, Mrs. Wannenburg, who graciously gave away the prizes, and the Mayor, Councillor Wannenburg, who rounded off the evening with an amusing and inspiring talk meant especially for the boys.

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PRIZE LIST — 1953.

Certificates for First Class Pass

(Distinctions are shown in brackets by these abbreviations: E—English, Af—Afrikaans, Ar—Arithmetic, H—History, G—Geography, S—Science, M—Mathematics, L—Latin, GM—Geometrical Drawing, M.T.—Manual Training, B—Bookkeeping.)

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Distinctions (without First Class Pass)::

N. Segal (Ar., L.), E. Jackson (G., L.), A. Jones (Ar., G.), C. McIntyre (Ar., G.), E. Kew (Ar., G., S.), J. Butler (Ar., G.), T. Taylor (S., G.D.), J. Otto (Ar., G.D.), A. Cundill (G., G.D.).

Highest Aggregates: In If—A. Gardiner, in Ig—P. Mileham, in Ih—M. van Bergen.

Diligence Awards: D. McNamara, G. Trollip, P. Putter.

FORM II.

B. Connellan (Ar., G., L., Highest Aggregate in IIa), J. Marnewecke (Ar., L.), A. Coetzee (Ar., G.), M. Chaplin (M., G.), P. Hattingh (L., G.), R. Thorpe (Ar., G.), S. McNeill (Ar., L.), R. Hull (A.), A. Abrahams (L.), D. Wilton (Ar., L.), R. Donaldson (B., Highest Aggregate in IIb), B. Timcke (B.), M. Herr (Ar., M., B.), F. Smook (M., G., B.), N. Rautenbach (Ar., G., B., Highest Aggregate in IId), A. Simpson (Ar., M., B., Highest Aggregate in IIc), N. Hutchison (A., B.), K. Whiffler (G., B.), D. de Jager (M.), M. O'Riordan (Ar.), D. Hoy (B.), W. Wilson, H. Teixeira (Ar., M., B.), J. Erasmus (Ar., G., B.), G. Roux.

Distinctions (without First Class Pass)::
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Highest Aggregate in IIe—S. Cooper.

Diligence Awards: P. Ditchfield, J. Hamblin.

FORM III.

R. Dall (Ar., S., L., Highest Aggregate in IIIa), L. Sandler (S., M., L.), T. Klewansky (Ar., S.), G. Nicholson (S., M.), P. Bates (S., M., B., M.T., Highest Aggregate in IIIb), L. Anderson (Ar., S., M., B.), D. Lock (Ar., M., B.), B. Odgers (Af., S.), D. Nielsen (S., B.), R. Bateman (Af., Ar., M., Highest Aggregate in IIIc), A. Giantsos (Af.), K. Walker (Ar., S., B., Highest Aggregate in IIId)), D. Strydom.

Distinctions (without First Class Pass)::
C. Babb (Af., B.).

Diligence Award: B. Howard.

FORM IV.

J. Williams (Af., S., M., L., Highest Aggregate in IVa), N. Levinson (L.), H. Hahn (L.), S. Fanaroff (L.), C. Bergström (S., M., G., B., Highest Aggregate in IVb), B. Farquharson (M., B.), C. Hunter (M., B.).

Diligence Awards: H. Brand, W. Rakusin.

BOOK PRIZES

FORM I.

J. Walters (Highest Aggregate in Form I, Afrikaans), D. Green (English), I. Drennan (History), J. Westpfahl (Geography), W. Parsons, (Arithmetic), A. Hayes (Science), N. Good (Mathematics), T. Liknaitzky (Latin), R. Coulson (Geometrical Drawing), E. Juby (Manual Training), P. Godley (General Excellence), M. Jankowitz (General Excellence).

FORM II.

B. Connellan (Highest Aggregate in Form II, Latin), J. Marnewecke (English), A. Coetzee (Afrikaans), W. Wilson (Science), M. Herr (Mathematics), P. Heynecke (History), F. Smook Geography), R. Thorp (Arithmetic), C. Roodt (Manual Training), N. Rautenbach (Bookkeeping).

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FORM IV.

J. Williams (Headmaster's Prize for Highest Aggregate in Form IV, English, Afrikaans, History, Latin), C. Bergström (Science, Mathematics, Geography, and cup for Bookkeeping).

J. Doig, Magazine prize for Verse.

FORM V.

A. Davidson (English, Science, Magazine Prize for Prose), M. Reynierse (Afrikaans), H. Elias (Mathematics), J. Waugh (History cup, Geography), K. Allan (Latin), J. Baird (Old Germistonian Cup).

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M. Colman — Silver Diplomas for sight reading and recitation.

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School Diary 1953 – 1954.

Fourth Term, 1953

OCTOBER:

14. Cadet Day.
30. Photograph Day.

NOVEMBER:

6. School examinations start. The Mayor's Cup was presented to Drum-Major D. Wilson.
9. Matriculation examinations start.
25. Prize-Giving.
26. Matriculation Dance. The staff were surprised to see their pupils look quite human.
27. Farewell presentation made by the school to Mrs. N. Parrott. End of Term.

First Term, 1954

JANUARY:

12. School re-opened.
18. First visit of Miss Hurwitz, speech therapist. Builder started on site of Shower Block.
19. Heavy machinery for levelling lower ground arrived.
29. Four inch water main broken by earth-moving machine, causing some inconvenience.

FEBRUARY:

23. Party to Johannesburg to see film version of "Julius Caesar."
25. Parents-Teachers Association formed.

MARCH:

2. School went to see "Everest" film.
5. Old Germistonian Ball.
12. Debate against the Girls' High at their school.
20. School Athletic Sports. Team of four swimmers win inter-school relay at new Delville Baths.
26. School Swimming Gala. End of Term.

Second Term

APRIL:

7. Second Term started.
10. A number of pupils saw "The Winslow Boy" produced in the City Hall.
14. Visit to Cheseborough Factory.
21. Two plays "African Angle" and "The Lion's Whelp" presented at Germiston Eisteddfod.
24. The band and one platoon took part in the ceremonial when the Witwatersrand Rifles was granted the freedom of the city of Johannesburg.
27. A new phenomenon at our school—student teachers arrived for a stay of three weeks.
29. Matriculants went to Athlone to see production of "Strife."
30. Second Annual School Ball.

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MAY:

8. New Shower Block used for the first time.
14. The Rev. Mr. Melsop addressed the school on China.
19. Start of mid-year examinations.
21. Meeting of first Germiston Junior City Council.
28. Visit to a Springs Mine.

JUNE:

1. On behalf of the Rotary Club, Mr. Hunter presented us with the Eland's Head Trophy.
9. Moved gingerly into the new classrooms.
10. and 11. The School Concert.
21. Manual Training Centre moved back to school—into the new building.
24. Hockey Match—Staff against Form V. Staff, of course, won.
25. End of Term.

Third Term

JULY:

27. Third Term started.

AUGUST:

16. Form V sees the marvels of Modderfontein.
18. The Cross Country Races.
23. Forty "guinea pigs" wrote New Group Intelligence Tests.
24. The two Eisteddfod plays presented at Benoni Play Festival.
25. Band Competition at Wembley.

SEPTEMBER:

2. Form IV staged Fancy Dress hockey match at Girls' High School.

7.–13. Trial Matriculation examinations.

10. Staff Social for Parents.
11. Team took part in East Rand Bisley.
16. Professor Lighton talked to Forms IV and V about the joys of teaching.
18. Two boys represented the school at the Command Bisley.
21. Normal College Students presented three good one-act plays at school for the War Memorial Fund.
22. Another large party to Johannesburg, this time to listen to Emlyn Williams read from Dickens.
24. Triangular Athletic Match at Delville. End of Term.

Fourth Term

OCTOBER

1. Braaivleis and Dance at School.
5. Fourth Term started.
27. Cadet Day.
28. Photographs of those over 16 taken for our official dossiers.
30. Band Display at Wembley for National Health League.

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LIBRARY.

Early in the year the builders asked if they might have the library in order to carry out the necessary alterations to convert it into an Art Room. This meant removing the books to the old Prefects' Room, where they were to be stored until the new library would be ready. Up to the time of writing, this has not yet come about, and the books have remained stored. The main function of the library, the lending of books, has therefore, not been fulfilled this year. From what we hear, the new library will be a fine place, and very up-to-date, so we may look forward to pleasant reading next year.

The room was also used as a classroom for many weeks. When a classroom was available in the new block, we appropriated the library for use during second break as a room for reading the periodicals, the number of which had increased greatly during the year, as they had not been used, and were therefore as "good as new." This was unfortunately short-lived. The library has been "off the list" this year.

The stock of books has been replenished this year again through the grant from the Education Department, and on the pound for pound scheme. Nine books were received through the Jagger Bequest. The T.E.D. Library Services rebound 77 books for us, for which we are grateful.

—W.A.D.P.

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THE TUCKSHOP

One day during the second term, a great deal of interest centred around a room in the new building — it was the new tuckshop. With separate windows for serving the cold drinks and sweets, the tuckshop looked quite a fancy affair compared with the old one. The sweets sported themselves on brand new shelves and everything was very posh.

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During the third term, hot pies appeared in the tuckshop for the first time. We are grateful to Mr. T. Baker for the gift of the stove to heat the pies. The demand was so great however that the stove was not big enough and so Mr. E. Baker donated a Blueflame oven to heat more pies. In the first month, 2,000 pies were sold. However, boys being what they are, the demand fluctuated and now there are times when pies are left over at the end of the day.

Many boys make use of the Tuckshop without any thought for the organisation behind the scenes. For instance, the boys who serve behind the counters do so of their own free will and without any payment for sacrificing their breaks. On behalf of all the chaps who have their "inner man" fortified at the Tuckshop, let me extend a sincere word of thanks to the following boys who do all the work:

D. Jackson, N. Levinson, A. Gilchrist, A. Cowling, J. Nowlan, H. Hahn, L. Nestadt and B. Rudolph.

—W.T.H.

Sing a song of sixpence
A pocketful of gums;
Four and twenty classmates
Wanting to be chums;
When the packet was opened
There fell on him disaster,
And wasn't it a foolish thing
To eat before the master?

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THE SCHOOL CONCERT

This concert proved at least as much of a mixed bag as usual, and, also as usual, opinions about it differed. There were those who found the mixture delightful, but, on the other hand, there were also those who thought it less pleasantly compounded than formerly. For the tastes of those unsympathetic folk there were too many plays in proportion to other items; the amiable inanities of a compère were missed during the over-long unofficial intervals between items, and certain of the musical productions appeared to lack something in cohesion and polish.

The plays presented included that perennial favourite — or should one call it a hardy annual? — "The Monkey's Paw," done about as well as it usually is or deserves to be; a humorous offering entitled "The African Angle," and a play about the son of Richard Coeur-de-Lion entitled "The Lion's Whelp."

Those taking part in these plays were:—

The Monkey's Paw — (Producer: Mr. Durand)
MR. WHITE } A devoted pair P. S. Liddiard
MRS. WHITE } I. Forest
HERBERT victim of fate ... D. J. Shell
SGT.-MAJOR MORRIS, old soldier P. Levinson
MESSENGER of ill tidings ... A. Hayes
The African Angle — (Producers: Messrs. Fox and Dry).
BRUCE } the "old hands" B. Odgers
ANDERSON } W. Stables
THOMSON new and easily scared M. Sylvester
OGILVY equally new, but sensible, and devoted to mineral waters ... G. Robinson
TONGA Black "boy" ... W. Castle
The Lion's Whelp (Producer: Mr. Cochrane)
FATHER ABBOT grey and venerable ... H. Hahn
TANCRED young and alive ... H. Brand
BROTHER AMIAS a gentle waiter ... J. W. Nowlan
EUDO noble and resplendent ... A. Cowling
BROTHER AMBROSE fond of dogs ... G. Robinson.

Other items included an exhibition of Highland dancing by Boyd of Form I, a spirited piano solo by Johnson, songs by the school choir and a pot-pourri of selections, both vocal and instrumental, from Gilbert and Sullivan.

Those who took part enjoyed themselves as only those can who are able to let themselves go in the general fun and games of amateur theatricals, and everything that happened, whether according to plan or not, added to the fun. Even the producers had their share of those little incidents that go to make such work so eminently worth while. It is said, for instance, that Mr. Fox so far suffered his dignity to be removed as to trip over some of the backstage wiring, the result being a surprising and wholly unrehearsed pyrotechnic display from the fireplace during one performance.

And then the curtains jammed — fortunately on the first evening: another argument for "trial-run" performances!

A second spot of curtain trouble resulted from what was originally intended as a brilliant improvisation, arising out of the well-known reluctance of the curtains of our stage to close properly. Baker sought to overcome this defect by the expedient of pinning the curtains together during one change of scene. But alas for the fallibility of the human mind! We hear that there was a grand tug-of-war afterwards, lasting almost a minute, and hugely enjoyed by the audience, who, of course, were not to know that the cast was ad-libbing again.

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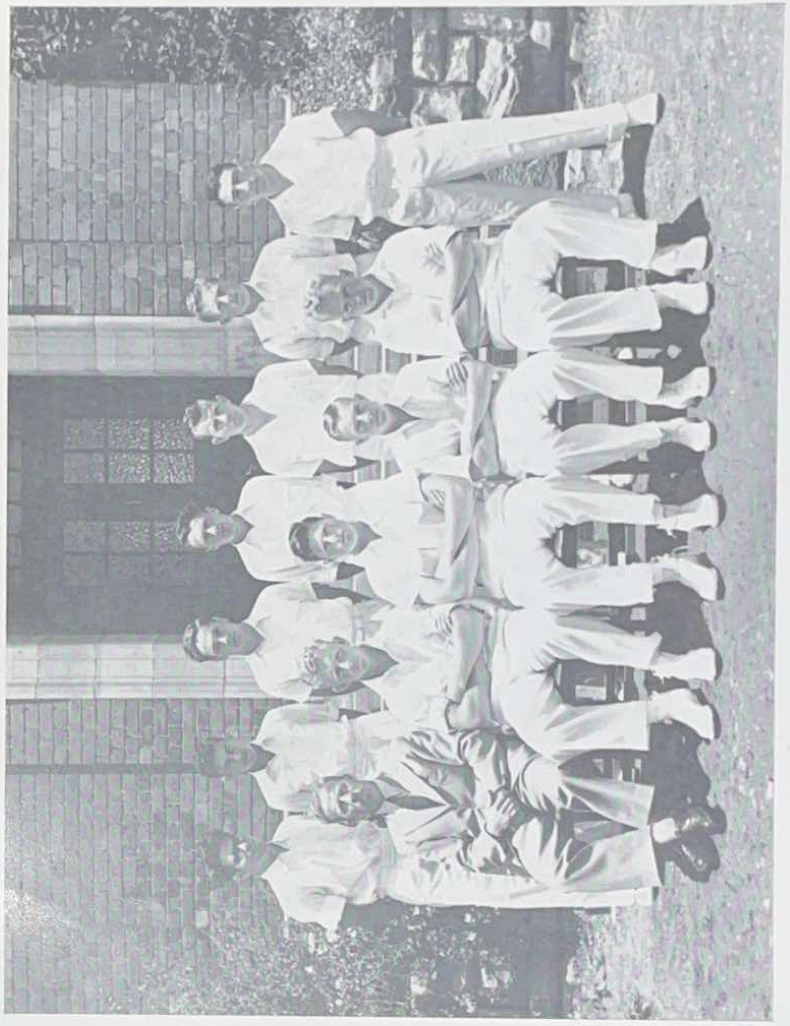

Front Row: Mr. P. A. Vos, C. Babb, C. Hunter (Captain), S. Edwards (Vice-Captain), J. Pieters.
Second Row:W. Rakusin, H. Caganoff, S. Fanaroff, J. Williams, W. Archbold, M. Sylvester, L. Gordon.

It is small wonder that odd things happen to the back-stage wiring. The stuff becomes an electrician's nightmare after each year's storage. It is just not within the capacity of one human brain to remember the ramifications of each successive — and, so far, always successful — impromptu modification. But somehow or other the desired result is always forthcoming; Bergström seems to have got the hang of the thing pretty well. For a while there was some doubt as to what would happen when he leaves, but we hear with relief that he is training a successor who we have every reason to believe will speedily master its intricacies.

Our thanks are also due to the other "back-room boys" whose efforts did so much to make the concert a success.

Thanks, too, to those members of staff who produced the various items, or who, in any of the many ways in which such work falls to be done, helped with the arrangements.

And, of course, our unstinted thanks go to the parents who provided and helped in the serving of refreshments.

Altogether the concert provided good entertainment, for the performers no less than for the audience, so that the work put into its preparation was effort well spent.

—R.W.

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DEBATING SOCIETY

Chairman: G. D. R. Kallman.
Secretary: M. N. Moore.
Committee: H. Brand, B. Rudolph, N. Levinson, T. Wilton.

This year debating was not solely confined to the seniors. The juniors were given an opportunity which they most ably used. A debate between Forms Ia and Ib opened the year. "Compulsory sport should be introduced," was the motion. Both sides ably, although a little nervously, defended their views.

The motion was carried. The debate was very well attended by the juniors but the seniors were conspicuous by their absence. This however was the case with most debates this year. This is a pity and it is our hope that this state of affairs will be rectified in future years.

The traditional debate between Forms IV and V with the motion, "That the popular press is an evil," was a most contentious one. Kallman, Levinson and Rudolph took up the cudgels for the motion. Moore, Milroy and Odgers of Form IV opposed those veterans of the debating circle and suffered a defeat.

This was one debate that was well attended by the seniors, but speeches from the floor were few and far between.

Our sister school, the Girls' High, provided the next target for attack. The motion, "That America represents the peak of modern civilisation," was defended by our boys, Kallman, Moore and Levinson. Mr. Cochrane is especially to be thanked for his help in aiding our team to gather information.

The motion was carried and Kallman was adjudged the best speaker. We are especially indebted to Miss Bergen, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Phillips for judging the debate.

"Britain should keep herself and her arms out of the Middle-East," was the motion for the debate between Smuts and Botha houses. It was supported by Nowlan, Hirst and Rosen of Smuts, opposed by Levinson, Rudolph and Brand of Botha, and resulted in a Botha victory.

The debate between Montgomery and Churchill was most poorly attended. Kallman, D. Baker and Cowling supported the motion for Montgomery. Bergström, Kalmek and Beadon opposed the motion. The motion, "That Science is the curse of modern civilisation" was carried.

Churchill and Smuts debated on the motion, "That our present school curriculum is unsuitable." Gordon, Beadon and Mitchell supported the motion for Churchill. Nowlan, Jessiman and Wilton opposed them on behalf of Smuts. The motion was rejected. Wilton is to be especially congratulated on his firm and forceful way of speaking.

In the Form III debate the motion, "That War is inevitable," was well discussed. Ditchfield was judged the best speaker. The motion was carried.

The last debate of the year (the cup final) took place between Botha and Montgomery, the strongest houses in the debating circle. The motion, "That Germany should rearm," was supported by Levinson, Brand and Rudolph of Botha and opposed by Kallman, D. Baker and Cowling. The motion was upheld, resulting in a Botha victory. This is the first time the debating cup has passed out of Montgomery's hands.

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The results of the inter-house debating are as follows:

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2. MONTGOMERY
3. SMUTS
4. CHURCHILL

An innovation this year was the "Round Table." It was limited to Form V and was an informal debating circle. The more contentious matters of world importance were thrashed out here and provided some rousing speeches.

Our thanks to Messrs. Webb, Phillips and Cochrane for judging the debates throughout the year; to Mr. Dry the debating master for his advice and encouragement, and to the Secretary for keeping the minutes of the debates throughout the year.

We wish the Debating Society's future members the best of luck and we hope that they will meet with as much success as we have had.

—G.D.R.K.

Three debaters bland, three debaters bland,
Hear how they talk, hear how they talk.
With telling facts their speeches are rife,
They mock and rave in wordy strife.
Did ever you hear such a thing in your life
As Kallman, Cowling and Brand?

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I. Brenner.

This year we started in a grand fashion, with a meeting of about fifty boys. However, this turnout proved to be a flash in the pan.

It would seem that the juniors, and seniors, are a little ashamed of their box cameras. For their benefit I must say that I did very well in our first competition with a photograph taken with a Kodak box-camera. In fact, it can be said that apart from our other high-precision cameras, many of us use box-cameras for less exacting work, such as landscapes.

Our society was promoted largely with the idea of catering for the boy with the box-camera. We also try to teach about the proper lenses and filters, and the theory of exposure, but these lectures are received with a chilling lack of enthusiasm by most. One must understand the basic principles of photography to take even mediocre pictures.

Of our juniors, some good work is being turned out by Zeiss and Hoy, although Hoy would profit by paying greater attention to focus and film speeds. A harder paper would also add sparkle to his pictures.

A very notable, and commendable fact has been that most of the exhibitors have abstained from the use of gloss-paper. The matt-finish is preferable by far.

Flash has usurped the place of lens power for many people, and the result is pasty complexions in portraits, and pronounced light and shadows. I use a L(4.5) lens coupled with a Prontor S.V. shutter, and have as yet not had need to use a flash for indoor portraits. Flash is useful provided that it is used with discrimination.

Brenner, Liebman and Hunter have produced good work, particularly Hunter. The technical standard of his work is excellent, although he could afford to pay more attention to subject-matter.

Mr. Cochrane, of the Staff, proved the backbone of the society, with a continual spirit of optimism and industry. We owe our thanks to Mr. Levin, for kindly consenting to judge our competitions. Next year, with the acquisition of a darkroom, we hope to see a greater interest in the Society.

—A.C.C.

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CHESS CLUB

Because of the many different activities in the school it is difficult to find an afternoon convenient for all those who want to play chess. Our numbers are not large, but we do enjoy playing chess. Some of us meet regularly on Thursday afternoons and as boys walk past the classroom, they are surprised to see groups of boys concentrating on their chess much more than they do on their school work.

The championships, which are worked on a knock-out basis, have revealed that A. Thompson is junior champion, and A. Liebman senior champion.

Inter-House Chess results are:- First, Botha (19 points), second, Montgomery (15 points), third, Smuts (6 points), fourth, Churchill (4 points). Congratulations to H. Brand, D. Baker and C. Hunter who won all their games during this competition.

We hope more boys will support this club next year. If you want to learn how to play, come along.

—W.T.H.

Little Jack Horner, sat in a corner
Plotting a Max Euwe trap.
He moved out a knight, gave Liebman a fright,
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This year again we are grateful for many things. I shall not forget the Friday afternoon in February when our special speaker did not arrive and someone had to step in and take the meeting. He read a story about a man who died bravely and peacefully, which had such an effect on those present that they all asked: "What helped him to die, sir?" When the leader asked if they too would like to meet the living Christ who had helped the man in the story, four or five responded to the call, and that afternoon they met the Master for the first time. Since then God has been very real to them and their help and work in the S.C.A. has been outstanding. Then, too, I shall not forget the memorable visit of Mr. Melsop of the China Inland Mission. About 250 boys gathered after school to hear about his remarkable experiences of how God had met his needs in very trying times. He was a real inspiration to us.

At the end of the first term a Schools' Conference was held for all S.C.A. branches along the Reef. We were greatly challenged and encouraged as we listened to speakers talking about "The Christian pupil in school." In May the Girls' High School branch and ours met with two of the churches in Germiston on the Students' Day of Prayer to tell them of our work and ask for their prayers for the work in the schools.

We were glad to welcome Mr. W. T. Gregor at the beginning of the third term and were sorry he could stay only for that term. We say to him: "It was good to know you. May God bless you in your new venture."

Believing we can all work together no matter what language we speak, we held two combined meetings with the Girls' High School and Afrikaans Hoërskool branches. It was grand to meet other scholars and know "we are all one in Christ."

Our annual combined picnic was one of the happiest we have had. In the afternoon we sat on the grass beside Florida Lake and listened to the thrilling story Commissioner Lord of the Salvation Army told us of his experiences in Korea.

We are thankful to all the speakers who came to our meetings and we are also thankful for and look forward to, the combined meetings with the Girls' High School branch. We are glad that boys and girls can meet on the devotional and spiritual as well as on the social level.

In December we shall meet again for the Annual Combined Christmas Social in Johannesburg. As usual we shall take gifts for Native children in hospital. Last year it was my great privilege to take all these gifts to those children and I cannot describe the thankfulness and appreciation expressed by the staff and children. Gleaming eyes and smiling faces spoke their testimonies of gratitude.

Looking at the work as a whole, we are sure that God is blessing the work in our school. It is always such a great joy to see boys responding to the grand challenge and leadership of the living Christ. He is as fresh, vigorous and manly as any boy could want to be, and He understands and guides us in the problems we have as boys. I thank particularly the Form V chaps for their loyal support. As you set out into the hurly-burly of life, will you, as we who remain behind shall, "Make Jesus King?" Remember — "Your utmost for His Highest."

—W.T.H.

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FIRST AID

Last year a First Aid class was started, and twenty boys who entered for the Junior Red Cross Examination were successful. Mrs. Peddie, the examiner, praised the enthusiasm and quality of work of the boys.

Eight boys furthered their knowledge this year, and were successful in the Preliminary Examination. Their next target is the Elementary Diploma. These boys are now qualified to treat all forms of minor casualties, and have already proved their worth at the sports meetings held during the year.

Successful candidates for the Preliminary Examination were:—

R. Edmonds, E. Juby, A. Liebman, J. Rosen, J. Shapiro, A. Hayes, K. Walker, R. Wells.

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Like that of Johannesburg, our Junior City Council was organised to awaken interest in municipal affairs among our future citizens; or if they were already interested (vaguely) but ignorant (dismally, like most of us), to give them a clear picture of how a city is run. Our junior councillors learned some of this. They toured the Natalspruit Location, the transport centre and the sewage farm; they interviewed heads of departments; they collected facts and figures about all sorts of things. Each of the High Schools of our city formed a committee and each committee drew up its own agenda. All this had its climax in the meeting of the Junior Council in the Banquet Hall in May.

Our three representatives, G. D. R. Kallman, N. Levinson and B. Rudolph played their part with zest, and not a single motion was debated without one, or two, or all three of them putting in their oar. Indeed, as soon as the Town Clerk had read a proposal, one expected, and nine times out of ten heard, the sharp grating sound of Junior Clr. Kallman's chair as he rose to oppose the motion. All enjoyed the debate and the novelty of following the rules and procedure laid down for real city councils. We must congratulate the Junior Mayor, S. van Rensburg (of the Afrikaans Hoërskool) on his calm and capable handling of our own rather violent representatives.

Some of us may have expected these young councillors to pass a number of wild and idealistic schemes for our city, but they had obviously learned that city councillors are not expected to play fast and loose with ratepayers' money. They may even be accused of having been a bit mean; they dismissed as extravagant such things as a broadcast van to help control traffic, a recreation centre for busmen and a pavilion at the Delville Sports Grounds. They did accept proposals for the "re-layout" of the area in front of the main station, for the building of suburban libraries, the laying of underground electricity cables to replace the present system, and the grant of loans — not bursaries, mark you — to pupils wishing to become teachers. Our future seems fairly safe in the hands of the younger generation. We look forward to next year's meeting.

For the help, advice and encouragement given our Junior Councillors, we thank especially Clrs. H. J. Wannenburg and E. Baker, and all those municipal officials who were given extra work and pestered with questions, and helped to make the task of the junior councillors an enjoyable one.

—A.D.

CADETS
DETACHMENT No. 78.

Officers:

Commandant H. C. Robinson, M.B.E. — Officer Commanding.

Commandant C. L. Wapenaar, E.D. — Second-in-Command.

Captain W. A. D. Phillips — Adjutant/Quartermaster/Range Officer.

Lieutenant W. T. Haffern — "A" Company Commander.

Captain P. A. Vos — "B" Company Commander.

Lieutenant R. J. Webb — "C" Company Commander.

Lieutenant E. J. du Plessis — "D" Company Commander.

Lieutenant B. Meyers — Signals Officer.

Mr. P. E. Cochrane — Bandmaster.

Student Officers:

L. Gordon, P. Stathoulis, H. Brand, W. Rakusin, M. McConnell, S. Fanaroff, B. Farquharson, D. Jackson, C. Wilson, L. Howden, F. Hunter, D. Baker, D. Liebenberg. R. Hosmer, R. Vermeulen, G. Kallman.

Drum-Major — D. Petzer.

The detachment began the year with larger numbers, the strength being 590. Four companies were formed and a signals section.

The Student officers carried out the training of their platoons well; this was reflected in the smartness in appearance and drill of the platoons at the annual competition and inspection.

On Saturday, 24th April, the Witwatersrand Rifle Regiment, to which we are affiliated, received the Freedom of the City of Johannesburg. We accepted their invitation to send the Band and a platoon of 38 boys. They did very well and were congratulated by the Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, Colonel F. C. Sturrock.

During July, Lieutenants Haffern and Webb attended the Captains' Course at Potchefstroom. We congratulate them on their success. At the same time four of our boys, S/O L. Gordon, Drum-Major D. Petzer, Sergeants Fergusson and Howard attended a Cadet Course at Lenz.

The Annual Inter-House Platoon Competition took place on 27th October. The judging was once again done by officers and N.C.O.'s of the Witwatersrand Rifles. We thank them for this service done so willingly year after year. They

were pleased at the smartness of the boys and commented very highly on S/O H. Brand as one of the best Student Officers they had seen in any school.

In the afternoon our Band gave an excellent display, which was followed by a display given by the Band of the Benoni High School Cadets, as a guest Band. It was much appreciated and we thank them. The inspection was carried out by Commandant Nicholls, who afterwards presented the trophies. The March Past brought the proceedings to a close. Guests included the Mayor and Mayoress of Germiston (Clr. and Mrs. Wannenburg) and the vice-Chairman of the Governing Body, Mr. M. M. Hunter. We were pleased to see a larger gathering of parents and friends than on previous occasions.

Trophies were awarded as follows:—

1. Inter-House Efficiency Cup (Wit. Rifles' Cup) — Botha House.
2. Best Student Officer (Pirie Cup) — S/O. H. Brand.
3. Smartest Cadet (Howarth Cup) — Cpl. T. Taylor.
4. Best Bugler — Cpl. Bugler M. Mitchell.
5. Best Drummer—Sgt. Drummer L. Anderson.
6. Best Signaller — Sgt. P. Bates.

SHOOTING

Unfortunately there has not been the same enthusiasm about shooting this year as there was last year, especially among the younger boys. The standard has thus dropped.

We entered only two teams for the East Rand Bisley, a Senior and a Junior team. For the reason stated above we were unable to enter a sub-Junior team. Neither team qualified for the Command Bisley. Two boys, C. Thompson, (Senior) and E. Wade, (Junior) qualified to shoot in the Individual Section. Thompson did well, coming within the first eight in the Witwatersrand.

We hope to be able to report better things next year.

—W.A.D.P.

THE SIGNALS SECTION

This is the second year that the Signals Corps has been in operation. The Corps has progressed rapidly during the past year. The year 1954 was begun by the taking on of new recruits. A number of the older members are still in the Corps. Great progress has been made in the fields of Morse buzzer, Semaphore and Morse flag, lamp and heliograph.

A great deal of practice was put in by the boys for the Signalling Competition which was held by the Union Defence Force at Auckland Park on 7th October, 1954. Sixteen boys were chosen to represent the school in the competition which lasted the whole day. The boys were tested in all the branches of signalling. The prize was the Collins Shield which was competed for by nine schools in the Union.

The boy with the highest marks in our school will receive a trophy which is to be presented to the best signaller of the year. It is hoped that the Corps will keep up the good work in the next year and that it will improve more and more with the advance of time.

—P.J.B.

BAND

The band started the year in a rather unfortunate position, for not only had the bandsmen lost the services of their bandmaster, but of most of the band too. Many new boys joined, and many changes were made in the band during the first half of the year.

We hope that next year the band will be almost entirely unchanged, and feel that in that case, provided everyone is prepared to do a hard job of work, we should have a much better chance of winning the competition. This year we won the Command Cup for the best drum section on the Reef. Congratulations to the drummers on this outstanding achievement. They worked very hard and certainly deserved their success. Next year the buglers should be in a position to follow their example, for we have some very fine buglers in our ranks.

Drum-Major D. Petzer, Bugle-Major M. Dermeik, Drum-Sergeant L. Anderson have all worked hard and have accomplished a great deal during the year.

—P.E.C.

Young Drum-Major was a regular rager
And a regular rager was he.
He called for his bugles, he called for his drums,
And he called for his trumpets three.

ELAND'S HEAD TROPHY

Maximum Points	WORK CUP Mar.	June	Sept.	Cadets	Shooting	RUGBY Senior	Junior	CRICKET Senior	Junior	Athletics	Tennis	Swimming	Debating	Chess	TOTAL
House	20	40	20	40	10	20	10	20	10	20	10	10	10	10	250
BOTHA	12	40	20	40	1	9	10	20	10	20	3	3	10	10	208
MONTGOMERY	6	24	12	12	6	9	1	12	1	2	10	10	6	6	117
CHURCHILL	20	12	6	4	3	2	6	6	6	12	6	6	1	1	91
SMUTS	2	4	2	24	10	20	3	2	3	6	1	1	3	3	84

HOUSE REPORTS.

BOTHA HOUSE

House Master: Mr. T. MORRISON.
House Captain: R. VERMEULEN.

Botha House has been prominent in almost every school activity thanks to the enthusiasm of the House Masters, Mr. T. Morrison and Mr. A. Dry, and the boys. Our keen team spirit has been revealed both in sport and in school work, as we have won the work cup. In the lower Forms we have very promising juniors to uphold the good name of Botha. With eight cups shining on our shelf, we have made certain of the Eland's Head Trophy.

Rugby

Captain: R. Vermeulen.

Just managing to share second place in the senior section, we came up one place since last year. In our first match, against Smuts, we could not combine and lost 14-0. Against Montgomery we were unable to score and the match ended in a draw. Our last match, against Churchill, seemed lost until a last minute try saved the game for Botha. After putting over a penalty, Edwards, "The Boot," put over the conversion and the final score was 8-5 in our favour.

Athletics

Captain: R. Vermeulen.

With solid teamwork Botha was able to retain the Evans and Leigh Athletic trophy by a margin of 10 points. Although our seniors were not very successful the juniors displayed the utmost keeness. Our juniors in the Under 13 section did not allow the other Houses to win one event. Special congratulations to Theron, Dolling, Davidson and Nathanson.

Cadets

All the Botha student officers and platoons from "A" to "D" Company worked together as a team and aided in our victory. Throughout the Competition there was a battle between platoons and officers, with Botha eventually coming out on top.

Anderson won the drummers' section; Brand won the best student officer's cup and his platoon gained highest marks. "Nice work Botha! Keep it up!!" as Commandant Nicholls said.

Debating

Captain: H. Brand.

Debating has been another sphere in which we have excelled ourselves. The speakers, H. Brand, N. Levinson and B. Rudolph, formed a well balanced team and they easily convinced judges and audiences. Against Montgomery in the finals, they, with the aid of the audience's votes, carried the motion and won the cup for our already crowded shelf.

Tennis

Captain: H. Brand.

It was the good balance which ensured the success of our other teams, that our tennis team lacked. Our players were C. Babb, H. Brand, C. Hunter and S. Strydom. Drawn against Churchill in the first round, we were defeated by 25 games to 17 and then played and beat Smuts to gain third place.

Cricket

Captain: C. Hunter.

In the first round we met a strong Smuts House team. Smuts were all out for 122, Llewellyn taking 4 wickets for us. Our score mounted steadily, until we were only a few runs behind, with 2 wickets to fall. R. Vermeulen (Daddy Long Legs) and A. Gilchrist scored the necessary runs in a most unorthodox way. Thus we won our way into the final with a very close win. Babb scored a very fine 47 for us.

In the final, our opponents were Montgomery and the match was expected to be very close. We fielded, and under a very menacing sky,

the game started. Wickets fell freely, and Montgomery were all out for 65; C. Hunter got plenty of life out of the pitch, and took 8 wkts. for 40 runs. Full of confidence, our batsmen went out to bat. We were afraid that rain would rob us of victory. Five wickets were down, with 11 runs needed for victory. Hunter and P. Zeiss (a promising Under 14 boy) stayed at the wicket to get the winning runs.

Our team was: C. Hunter (capt.), C. Babb, H. Brand, S. Edwards, R. Vermeulen, D. Austen, T. Llewellyn, S. Strydom, B. Tearnan, P. Zeiss, L. Anderson and A. Gilchrist.

Swimming

Captain: A. Gilchrist.

Competition was keen and in coming third, Botha swimmers showed much promise.

Now that we have a swimming bath at our disposal, we shall be able to train regularly and consequently the standard of swimming will improve tremendously.

Botha house juniors excelled, and in the next gala we should see Botha filling second, if not first, place.

Junior Rugby

Captain: E. Wade.

Botha won the cup through good teamwork. We beat Smuts 13-6, Montgomery 6-3 and Churchill 13-0. The most outstanding players were Good, Wade, Davidson, Zeiss and Thompson.

Junior Cricket

Captain: P. Zeiss.

For junior cricket yet another cup went onto Botha's shelf.

In the first match we played Smuts, whom we narrowly beat by .1 on the bonus system. Zeiss scored 42 and Dolling took 5 wkts. for 8 runs.

In the final we met Churchill, whom we beat by 4 wkts. Theron and Dolling batted well, the latter scoring 22 runs, and Wade and Dolling bowled well.

—R.V.

Congratulations to the Captain, Vice-Captain and boys of the house on their outstanding year.

—T.M.

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CHURCHILL HOUSE

House Master: Mr. E. DU PLESSIS.
House Captain: M. McCONNELL.

Although we have not excelled in any one particular school activity this year, we have not by any means been disgraced. However, the number of cups on our shelf has steadily diminished, most of them going to Botha.

Athletics

Captain: M. McConnell.

Owing to lack of enthusiasm among some of our juniors, Churchill was beaten into second place by Botha. The seniors were definitely superior to the other houses but the juniors let us down. Those who ran well were Gordon, Rautenbach, Burgess, Booyens and Musgrave-Beadon.

In the cross-country event Churchill once again won by a long way. In the senior event Churchill got six of the first seven places. Alfred Burgess ran very well in winning both senior and junior events.

Rugby

Captain: M. McConnell.

After a poor start, losing heavily to Montgomery, we found our feet against Smuts. Owing to solid scrummaging by the pack and good tackling by everyone we were able to draw with the more powerful Smuts. Against Botha we were unlucky to lose. After we had been in their half for most of the game, Vermeulen broke away from his own twenty-five and scored against us. Those who played well for Churchill are: Gordon, Burne, Coetzee and Rautenbach.

In the Junior House rugby Competition we beat Smuts and Montgomery and lost to Botha, thus coming second.

Cricket

Captain: L. Gordon.

This year for the first time, Churchill has had the weakest team on paper. Considering the odds, Churchill did quite well. In our first match we were well beaten by Montgomery as far as the score goes, but lost only by .2 on the bonus system. Montgomery, batting first, scored 137. King took 6 wickets for 46 runs. Churchill were 62 for 8 wickets at the close of play.

We beat Smuts by .1 on the bonus system. King took 2 wickets for 26 runs and Gordon made 53 runs.

This year we finished third in the cricket, but beware, for next year we are out to win the cup.

In the Junior Cricket, Churchill first beat Montgomery by 10 runs and then lost to Botha in the final by 5 wickets. King made 45 not out against Botha.

Tennis

Captain: L. Evans.

Although we lost a valuable player in P. Jackson our House Tennis team, consisting of L. Evans, B. King, C. Wilson and R. Steedman, put up a good show in gaining second place in

the Inter-House Tournament. In our first match we beat Botha 25-17, but in our second match we lost to Montgomery 25-17.

Swimming

Captain: M. McConnell.

In the swimming competition Churchill did well in coming second to Montgomery. Booyens and Jones swam exceedingly well.

Debating

Captain: H. Musgrave-Beadon.

As usual Churchill had to fight out last place with Smuts. If there had been more support we may have won this contest but as it was we only got two votes from the audience at the end of one of the debates.

On behalf of the house I should like to thank Mr. du Plessis for his untiring support and training of Churchill House.

—M.M.

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MONTGOMERY HOUSE

House Masters: Mr. W. T. HAFFERN.
Mr. B. MEYERS.

House Captain: W. RAKUSIN.

If possibly not the outstanding house in the school, Montgomery House is, nevertheless, a fine all-round house. Our spirit is by far the keenest in the school and this is due, in no small measure to our two house masters. Mr. Haffern and Mr. Meyers were always willing to help the boys train, whether in athletics or swimming, and on behalf of the house I should like to thank them most sincerely for their wholehearted support and excellent coaching.

Rugby

Captain: W. Rakusin.

Our rugby has undergone a tremendous improvement this year. We possessed an extremely able team indeed, and our back line was the most dangerous in the competition. In our first match against Churchill we played good, hard rugby and trounced our opponents thoroughly by 14 points to 0. This score could have been higher but for some bad kicking. In a rather scrappy game Botha were very lucky to draw 0-0 with us. Against the champions, Smuts, we lost 0-6. Our team played without a hooker, and had the ball reached the backs, the result might have been reversed. Throughout, the centres, Roux and Whitson, and the loose-forwards, Simpson and Howard, played well.

Our junior team, captained by Jankowitz, was not as successful as our seniors and did not manage to win one game. The match against Smuts, however, was closely contested.

Athletics

Captain: W. Rakusin.

To come last in the athletic sports has become a tradition in Montgomery. Both seniors and juniors are very poor athletes. Roux, however, must be congratulated for his excellent performances. He was responsible for approximately half the total points of the house.

Swimming

Captain: W. Rakusin.

We are not good runners, but we are good swimmers. This year, Montgomery ran away from the other houses, or rather swam away with the swimming trophy. Andrew swam magnificently, as did also Taylor, Russell and the two juniors, Berry and Lithgow. Of the six team races, Montgomery won four, came second in the fifth and was disqualified in the sixth after coming first.

I should like to thank Mr. Meyers for the afternoons and evenings he gave up to help train the boys. I would also like to thank Mr. Baker for the very welcome banner he presented to the house.

Cricket

Captain: W. Rakusin.

In the first round of the house-cricket tournament, our senior house cricket XI beat Churchill most impressively. We batted first and scored 135 all out — of which Baker scored 37 and Sylvester 26. In reply Churchill scored 63 for 8 wickets (Cachia 5 for 22). In the final against Botha, however, we cracked up badly and were beaten outright. We scored 65 all out (Sylvester 22) and Botha passed our score for the loss of 5 wickets.

It was very unfortunate that Montgomery should have lost the cup, for it has never before left our cup-shelf. Our defeat, however, was taken in the right spirit and will spur us on to win the cup again. Congratulations to Botha, this year's winners.

Tennis

Captain: D. Baker.

In the recent Inter-House tennis tournament we gained a decisive victory.

In the first round we defeated Smuts House, and in the finals, avenged our defeat of last year, by defeating Churchill House.

Cachia and Rogers played excellent tennis and without them, our victory would not have been so sure.

The team was as follows:- Baker and Jackson, Cachia and Rogers.

Debating

Captain: G. Kallman.

Montgomery has always had a good debating team but although our team this year was very strong we were not fortunate enough to win again this year.

In the first round, we debated against Churchill and defeated them, Baker and Cowling speaking very well for their house. We entered the final and were well beaten by Botha House, partly owing to lack of support. The cup has now passed to Botha, but it will not stay there long and next year we hope that it will once again grace our shelf.

Keep trying Monty and good luck. The team: G. Kallman, D. Baker and A. Cowling.

—W.R.

On behalf of all the masters and boys in the House I should like to thank W. Rakusin, D. Baker, D. Jackson and G. Kallman for all their hard work and enthusiasm during the year. Well done.

—W.T.H.

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SMUTS HOUSE

House Master: Mr. P. A. VOS.
House Captain: P. Stathoulis.

Once again we have only two cups on our shelf. I am positive this can be improved on if the boys show as much interest and keenness as our housemasters and some of the seniors. On behalf of all of us I should like to thank Mr. Vos, Mr. Cochrane and Mr. Fox for their encouragement and all the work they did for us.

Rugby

Captain: P. Stathoulis.

Once more our senior rugby team managed to beat the other houses to keep the rugby cup for the third year in succession. This year our team managed to beat the other houses very clearly, to show which house has the best rugby players.

Particular mention should be made of J. Pieters who played a fine game at fly-half, and of G. Milroy, "The Terror," who was always in the thick of the game.

Our juniors again showed lack of interest and enthusiasm in their house activities and so lost the junior rugby competition. If our juniors showed more interest I am sure we would be able to reverse our position in the competition.

Athletics

Captain: P. Stathoulis.

Again we came third in the Inter-House sports. I feel that our house can do a lot better, however, if the boys did not leave everything to a handful of boys. Particular mention should be made of J. Pieters, joint winner of the Victor Ludorum Trophy.

Tennis

Captain: S. Fanaroff.

Tennis in Smuts House was again very weak. There were not enough players to choose from, and although those who played tried very hard, they were just not good enough.

We congratulate Montgomery on their splendid victory.

Debating

Captain: J. Nowlan.

The House, as in last year, was narrowly beaten by Botha, but was able to win the debate against Churchill. This means that we came third. There was a lack of support from members of the house and we look forward to more interest next year.

None of the debaters excelled themselves owing to the fact that they had not debated before, but in Derrick Wilton we see the makings of an excellent debater, who we hope will inspire our team to greater heights next year.

Swimming

Captain: C. Hoy.

Although Smuts did not do well at the first Inter-House swimming meeting, I think that in the future, with a little more organised training we should do a great deal better.

Special mention must be made of Hosmer, Pieters and Hoy who swam and dived well.

Cricket

Captain: S. Fanaroff.

Our team was fairly strong, but we were unlucky in having to play Botha, the winners, in the first round. We lost to Botha by 0.1 in the last over of the game after a very exciting match.

Throughout the competition Pieters and Milroy played well. Parsons, a junior, showed much promise.

—P.S.

LITERARY SECTION

"LAW OF THE WILD"

A deep, brooding, mysterious spirit pervades the surrounding mountains;
The setting sun gleams down on the trees, and reflects in the sparkling fountains.
Far above in the cloudless sky, a black-plumed vulture glides,
His keen eyes searching all the bush, to seek where the wild game hides.
The tall, green reeds bow to the wind, and rustle and shake their white crests;
While at their roots, submerged and hidden, the lurking crocodile rests.

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With eyes of flame and limbs of steel, hidden by foliage and grass,
The stealthy leopard bides his time, and waits for his prey to pass.
Having rested well in a secluded spot, his keen-eyed vigilance tells
That he has come forth to hunt and seek, and find where the fat buck dwells.
He growls softly and twitches his tail, as he hears some distant bird,
And his nose wrinkles as he catches the scent of the approaching impala herd.

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With head held high, and ears alert, the ram impala leads
The thirsty herd to the water-hole, flanked by the rustling reeds.
He smells the air for betraying taints, then satisfied danger is far,
He grunts to the herd, then leads the rush across the wide sand-bar;
While in a clump of high dry grass, the watching leopard sees
That here is food and he must act, 'fore he is betrayed by the breeze.

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The buck drink deep of the cool water, and all forget their fear,
The ram grows lax and forgets to look whether danger is far or near.
He bends again to deeply drink, and as he lowers his head,
Death leaps at him with bared fangs, and eyes and claws of red!
Dust covers the retreat of the running herd, and as they dash away,
They tremble at the victory cry of a leopard over his prey.
The moon creeps over the highest hill, and sheds its gleaming light,
While through the bush and thorny trees, blow the sweet scents of the night.
On a flat sand-bar, the jackals feast on the dead king of the buck,
Who lost his life through lack of care and not through lack of luck;
For in this realm of bird and beast, the victor remains alive,
And Nature's Law, respected by all, decrees the strongest survive.

—S. M. Hirst, Form Va.

GEDAGTES BY DIE VOORTREKKER MONUMENT

„Mik mooi, jul dapp're boere,
en skiet die Zoeloes rondom dood!
Laai vinnig dapp're vrouens,
want ons is in die nood!
Daar's nie 'n man van ons
wat agtertoe sal tree;
ons sal voortveg in die stryd!"
Sê die leier Charl Celliers.

'n Volle vier uur lank
het die geveg geduur,
totdat die mans moeg van die stryd
begin bid het; „Liewe Heer,
gee ons die krag en mag
dat ons met moed kan veg.
Laat ons ons vyande oorwin
Want U weet ons doel is reg."

Die Zoeloes het teruggeval
soos branders van die see,
die Boere het daar neergekniel
en hul dankgebed aan God gegee.
Van die impi's was daar honderde
buite die laer uitgestrek.
die lewendes het teruggeval
om hul wonde droog te lek.

So was dit in daardie dae,
die dae van pyn en smart.
En wat onthou ons vandag
met dankbaarheid in ons hart?
Ons dappere ou voorouers
en hul verwoede stryd
teen berge, riviere en Zoeloes,
in daardie vergange tyd.

Vandag het ons, Suid-Afrika,
op stewig' fondament,
aan daardie vroeë dae gebou
die Voortrekkermonument.

—S. Ridge, Vorm IIa.

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Slowly, he plods
To where the trout lie quiet
In pools bright and deep.
Along soft river banks
Silently he threads his way
Seeking where the trout may
Glide in the shadow of the reeds.
Suddenly the calm pool is broken
By the flash of silver . . . the fish have woken—
Then as the trout glide down beneath,
The pool resumes its silent sleep.

—M. Reinders, Form IIIb.

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EARTHWORMS, BURROWERS AND TRIPPERS

Most boys would say that a visit to a mine is not exciting and not worth the time spent on it. But it was most exciting the way we did it; what with a special bus and lunch laid on, it promised to be a most interesting day. And so it proved to be.

As our new bus rolled into the mine-yard, the tumultuous singing (senior boys?) and shouting died down. It must have been a relief to the masters.

First on the programme was a speech by the manager who gave us some good advice for the future and made us welcome. Then we all trooped to the changehouse where we were equipped with canvas jackets, helmets and lamps. A heavy battery on the hip and a long cord to the helmet completed our uniform as the earthworms.

I was in the first group of seven to go down below and the looks on the faces of the other boys suggested that we would be the first to be brought up on stretchers.

We crammed into a wet, rusty steel box, and stood waiting the Big Drop. With a loud clank and a few jolts we suddenly commenced dropping very rapidly. Immediately we were silent. The guide, evidently sensing our feelings, informed us that we would descend about two thousand, five-hundred feet in something just under a minute, so it would not take long. (It seemed like hours to me).

Arriving at the "Kimberley" level, the eight of us pushed through a pressure control chamber and it was immediately obvious to us that we were in the atmosphere of an underground working. Stretching in a long line, far into the distance were the lights marking the tunnel through which we would have to pass to reach the stope. Boy! Was that stope in the far distance. We walked up and down, skipping out of the way of oncoming trolleys, ducking beams that seem to want to hit you on the head (as they did quite a number of times).

It seemed after endless miles that we finally came to the half-way house which was a first-aid post and filtration plant. Here we discarded our jackets as the atmosphere was much too hot and clammy.

Gradually as we drew near to the stope the height of the roof lessened until we had to stoop to get up to where the Natives were working. We watched them drilling with "jumper" drills for a while and then after a few fellows had had a go at it we returned to the first-aid post where we refreshed ourselves on a Native concoction called mahewu and enjoyed a hot shower in the changehouse.

By bus we now went to a compound where we were treated to the spectacle of Natives being served with their food and the cleaning of a dormitory by a machine called the "Jenny, a Hi-Pressure Steam Cleaner." We also watched a few boys stirring huge vats of Native beer to the tunes of "Hospital Time, Springbok Radio," and tasted more mahewu.

Back again by bus and this time we were going to the by now most welcome meal at the Mine Boarding-house. Some of the boys remarked that in the morning they walked, and walked and walked, and in the lunch-hour they ate and ate and ate.

After lunch we walked some more, for we were now scheduled to visit the reduction plant. This was the most complicated and technical side of our visit, so if you can't make head or tail of it, I am sure you will forgive me.

I forgot to mention that on our tour we were accompanied by Mr. Donald Biddle who was a pupil in our school, and who is now an official-learner at the mine.

Outside the reduction offices, a lecture on the reduction of gold was delivered to us with the aid of numerous samples and charts.

In groups we traced the course of the ore from the stockpile to the smelt-house.

A conveyor belt leads out from under the stockpile where the amount on the belts is regulated by an automatic chute.

Now it goes to a machine called the Gates' Gyratory Crusher, which crushes the rocks into small stones suitable in size for handling. The stones are now sorted into two categories, gold-bearing and non-gold-bearing. Into a store-bin it goes to await its turn to be crushed into fine powder.

Going down to the bottom of the bins we find the stones falling onto more conveyors which carry them to the series of tube mills from which they emerge as a fine powder.

Mixed with water it is pumped into large cyanide tanks where the acid separates the gold from the rock dust and water. The water containing the rock-dust is drained off and the gold-bearing cyanide is pumped into agitating tanks where it is thoroughly mixed up before entering the filters.

These filters are made of twin canvas sheets sewn together. The cyanide-gold is forced into this. The gold remains behind while the cyanide filters away. The gold is now washed into containers where an acid is added which neutralises any remaining cyanide, the water having been drained off.

The gold is now contained in a clear liquid which is evaporated in ovens in the smelthouse. Thereafter the gold particles are smelted and transported to the refinery which is situated in Germiston. An interesting point I discovered was that gold is never fully recovered from the ore. About three per cent. gold is pumped away into the slimes dams.

A "coke" each went down well at this point while we listened to a finale from an official. This official and indeed the whole mine carried our good wishes, with sincere thanks for a day well spent.

Amid loud singing and shouting the bus conveying us home dropped over the horizon and the mine officials and guides probably heaved a great sigh of relief.

—R. B. Davidson, Form IVa.

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SONNET TO AN EGOTIST

Honours reaped, and honours won,
And honours heaped to prompt an ego on.
And does it grow, and does it swell
And puff and fill an empty shell,
Itself made big, a world too small,
So high it climbs, and then to fall—
Crushed, dashed, gone — a spark without a fan,
Such the gullibility — the vanity of man.
And then the ego and the vain they scorn—
What, e'en look on me, so mere a triviality,
And then the ego burst — a Samson shorn,
I laugh, I sing, I shout in glee,
"What, great men, you fall to earth,
What, so great, and serve for mirth!"

—N. Levinson, Form Va.

PIONEERS

Pioneering the west, those brave men went,
Fighting the Indians with many lives spent,
But on they went to find a home
Those pioneers with the lust to roam.

"Curse those Indians," they used to say,
When they saw those painted devils
Slay the ones they loved the best,
Who came to pioneer the West.

But victory was Phyrric to those pioneers,
And still they went on with many cheers.
Over those hills, to new adventure
Their aim new pasture-lands to capture.

Each year more came to the land they loved best,
Over the seas to that land in the West,
On the lone prairies they settle and stay,
To live their pioneering lives away.

—A. Thompson, Form IIc.

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BILL'S LESSON

There was a boy, whose name was Bill,
He was terribly naughty and couldn't keep still,
At home his manners were always terrible,
The way he behaved was quite incredible.

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No one could possibly stand the sight
Of the way he always used to fight,
He loved to pinch, kick, bite and scratch,
And his poor opponents were never his match.

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He always used to throw ink on the wall,
He used to break windows with a cricket ball,
He never cared to play with his toys,
But would play around with wild young boys.

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When he sat at the table to eat,
He would kick everyone with his dirty feet,
He never tried to behave, and yet,
He was taught a lesson he'd never forget.

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One day all the boys at school,
Made him feel a terrible fool,
They hung him up on one of the trees,
Above him was the family of bees.

* * *

Then the bees came in a very large swarm,
First he was cold, but the bees made him warm,
He was stung so much that he couldn't keep still,
So closes my story of the boy named Bill.

—K. Knipe, Form Ia.

DEFEAT OF THE SPANISH ARMADA

The churchbells are ringing,
The beacons are alight.
From mouth to mouth is flying
"The Great Armada's in sight!"

And what of Sir Francis,
Playing bowls on the green.
When a messenger says,
"The Spanish have been seen!"?

He just continues playing;
Says he: "Do not fret,
We'll give them something
To remember us by yet!"

So the small little fleet
Sets sail into the sun.
And Master gunner and mariners,
Stand ready by their gun.

The lookout in the top rigging,
Shouts: "I see them, Sir!"
Sir Drake asks, "How many?"
"A hundred of the cur!"

Now the cannons start booming,
Balls come hard and fast."
Shouts an eager crewman,
"We're at them at last!"

Sir Francis, on his ship,
Stands calm, hand on sword.
As he shouts to his men,
"Stand by to board!"

Some ships bump together,
Secure with grappling irons.
And though hard pressed,
The English fight like lions.

For hours and hours
The battle rages,
Until at last come
Its final stages.

The Spanish are routed,
And, though badly battered,
England has won!
That's all that matters.

The churchbells are ringing,
This time not in distress,
But in welcome Thanksgiving
And happiness.

—S. Ridge Form IIc.

" . . . TO LOVE THAT WELL, WHICH THOU MUST LEAVE ERE LONG."

To give your heart to a dog — to one dog — is like entrusting an egg to a toddler; you are doomed to disaster from the beginning. There can be only one result — a broken heart.

The best of the litter, you were. Six years back I picked you from the box, from the ruck of common dogs, and placed you on a pedestal: to love, to cherish. We grew up together. I saw you change from a bundle of black fluff — black, undefiled by any foreign colour — to a beautiful animal in your prime, at two years old.

How well I can picture you in the grasses beneath the willow trees, on the bank of a river; ears, those long, silky ears, brushing to and fro in the wind; the pink tongue lolling; the white teeth gleaming.

It has been said that nothing can compare with a thoroughbred dog — how true! You were a thoroughbred — of the class of the nobility — a one-man dog. I trained you; we won prizes. The cup stands on the mantlepiece, now a relic, a last vestige of the once-eminent prestige of a great gentleman.

I recall the times shared together: Richard's Bay, with the fish biting and the days of swimming and walking; Margate, the days of endless white sand and foaming waves; Loskop, the awe-inspiring beauty of the Eastern Transvaal; all these joys you shared, and made.

You, with your never-failing devotion — the ever-wagging tail. And then, when you grew old, and the silver appeared in the dark head and muzzle; then came the illness. Even to the last you were game and faithful . . .

If there is a heaven for faithful dogs, when my years have run their course, I shall know where to find you.

Though you may have successors; though your memory may become faded, and the silver of the trophy tarnished, yet will you never be eclipsed. I shall never forget you, little Cocker-dog.

—A. C. Cowling, Form Va.

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NIGHT FEAR

Her eyes the glow-worm lend thee,
The shooting stars attend thee;
O little maid
Be not afraid,
Of dangers that befall thee.

—I. Drennan, Form IIa.

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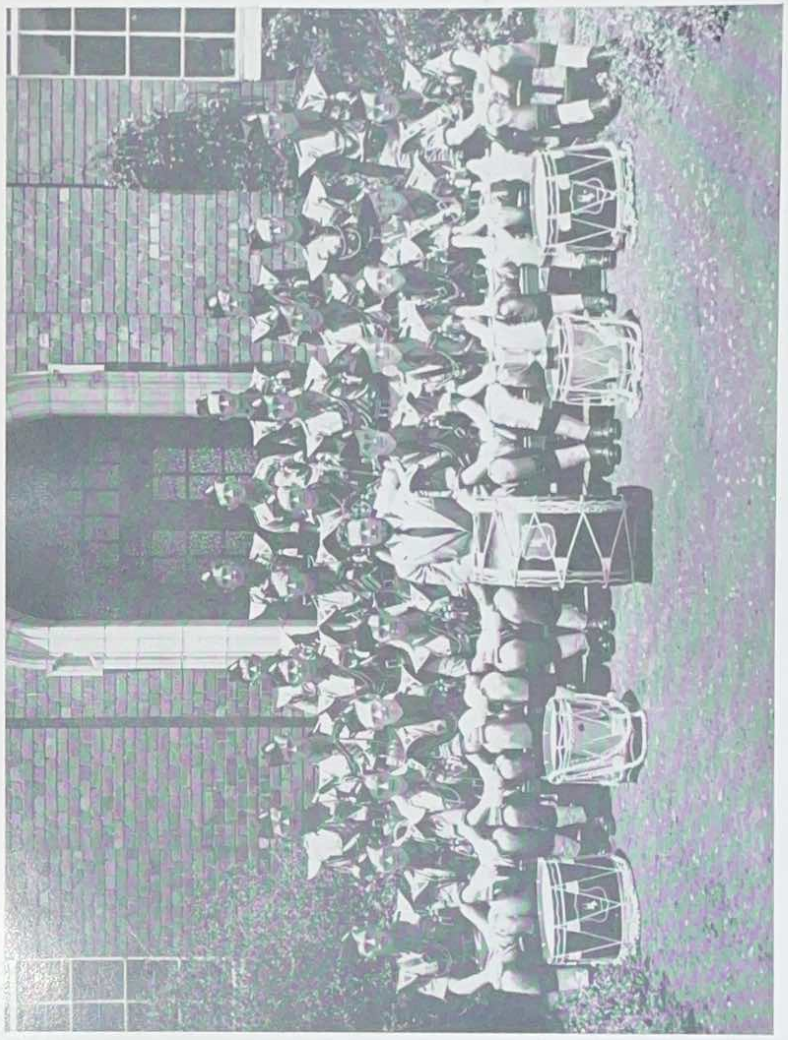

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THE DEATH OF JULIUS CAESAR

Post mortem Pompeii Julius Caesar Romam rexit. Caesar vir firmus erat, et multas terras pro Roma vincebat. In oppido, tamen, pauci Caesarem non amabant. Nomina virorum, Brutus, Cassius, Casca, et ceteri. Non Caesarem amabant, quia vir firmus et bonus erat.

Itaque Caesarem Idibus Martiis occidere constituebant. Idibus Martiis, tamen Caesar ad Senatum procedebat, quamquam multi eum non procedere monebant. In Senatu mali Caesarem expectabant, et gladiis eum occidebant.

Marcus Antonius amicus Caesaris erat.

Antonius contra Brutum pugnabat, et victor erat.

Itaque Antonius viros facto puniebat.

—P. Levinsohn, Form IIa.

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WHAT THE STREET LAMP SAW

It was nearing midnight; the fog was slowly creeping into the small coastal hamlet of Fultham. The only sign of life was the old street lamp which stood lopsidedly on the corner of a narrow, cobbled street, casting out its dim candle-light only a few yards into the foggy murk.

As I neared the street lamp, I heard a blood-curdling scream which broke the silence of the night. A cold shiver went up my spine as I saw a ghostly figure slink out of a shadowy doorway and hurry away into the dark night.

I cautiously made my way to the doorway and slowly peered around the corner. Huddled into a corner of the doorway was the slumped figure of an elderly man. Quickly I moved to the figure and knelt over it; hurriedly I made an inspection of the man, and came to the conclusion that he was only stunned and would soon regain consciousness.

I went to the only doctor in the hamlet and asked him to take the unfortunate man to his house and treat him for concussion. After thanking the doctor, I returned to the deserted corner, hoping that the unknown assailant would return so that I could find out his reason for attacking the elderly gentleman.

While standing there, I wondered how many exciting events the street lamp on the corner had witnessed. I wondered what the street lamp had seen in the shadowy doorway before I had come. What an interesting life a street lamp must live.

—G. Trollip, Form IIe.

THE BROAD TAILED PARADISE WIDOW BIRD

The Broad Tailed Paradise Widow Bird.
Is a most beautiful bird to see,
Its song is a beautiful one to be heard,
And no one has heard it but me.

It has charming colours of many hues,
Of black, yellow, red and green,
Its usual haunts are the dismal yews,
And there, it is seldom seen.

It chanced one day as I was sauntering,
Under those dismal yews,
That I first heard its beautiful warbling,
And saw its most beautiful hues.

—I. Drennan, Form IIa.

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DEATH

When I find myself with no more purpose left,
E'en though perhaps the world might disagree,
When I am forced to live on deeds long past
Like some decaying idol—a burden left to be
Tolerated—if only for the shadow that his "prime" does cast,
Rather than remain, my reflection left to see
For what it is—a parasite, sucking, clinging fast,
Saying: "I served you, now you serve me,"
Then Death shall have me for its repast,

For 'tis Death that I'll seek.

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But if my life is yet unspent,
My purpose yet ungrasped, unfound,
My ashes not completely cold—some glowing still—
I shall not heed the world—its mocking sound,
Its laugh, its scorn, its contempt shouted shrill,
Nor Death I'll seek; let scorn remain undrowned,
For Death does not relinquish scorn, (only success will),
And if by Life success (though it eludes me) I can hound,

Then Death I'll await—not seek.

—N. Levinson, Form Va.

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A cross marks the grave of a steeplejack
Who was working on top of a chimney stack.
His hammer dropped down to the street below,
He happened to be holding it and wouldn't let go.

—D. Shell, Form Ic.

ON LEAVING G.B.H.S.

That time hath come when that place we must leave,
Which through the youthful years our lives did mould.
At workrooms old we gaze and sighs do heave,
With minds o'erswelled with mem'ries, things of gold.
His sharp and biting tooth is now to bed;
We need not force blank laughs at friends in plight,
While in our hearts black hate uprears its ugly head,
As pain for him we brewed in mind's delight.
Five years since gone our lasses new hall to grace
And soon now we, the last link with the past;
We too shall go, and none shall know the face
Of old. We leave; new ed'fice, school remould.
Now ends a phase, ends shelter 'neath thy wing.
Thank you dear teachers all for everything.

—H. Hahn, Form Va.

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FOUR BY THE CLOCK

Four by the clock! And yet not day,
But the great world rolls and wheels away,
With its cities on land and its ships at sea,
Into the dawn that is to be.

Only the lamp that shines in the dark
Sends its glimmer, a heaving Barque,
And the heavy breathing of the sea,
Is the only sound that comes to me.

—M. Dermeik, Form IIIb.

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Two scientists working at Crew
Had two different points of view.
"I told you," said one,
As they shot to the sun,
"The explosive we found was new."

—D. Shell, Form Ic.

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There was a man called Green
Who invented a small submarine.
He went for a float
In this crazy old boat
And was doomed by a leak unforeseen.

—D. Chapman, Form Ia.

'N OU VOORTREKKER VERTEL

Die oerwoudstilte word verbreek deur die geklap van swepe en die gebulk van honderde Afrikanerbeeste. Stadig verskyn daar 'n paar krakende kakebeenwaens, waens waarvan ek, Petrus van Graan, die leier is, die leier van hierdie groepie swerwelinge wat op pad is na 'n nuwe, onbekende land, 'n sprokiesagtige Kanaän.

Onwillekeurig dink ek terug aan hoe wreed ons leiers al uitgemoor is. Maar in die Bybel is daar mos geskrywe dat 'n arbeider sy loon werd is. En ek weet dat ons eendag ons doelwit sal bereik.

Skielik word my mymeringe verbreek deur die geklap van perdepote. 'n Groot boer met 'n sweetbevlekte perd beur op my af. Sy gesig is bleek en ek weet dat iets ontsettends binnekort gaan gebeur.

„Oom, kaffers!" skree hy.

Blitsvinnig kom die skynbaar dooie laer in beweging. Vinnig word ons waens in a half maan getrek en die beeste word daarin geja.

Trots kyk ek na my manne, almal bruingebrande, geharde vegters, elkeen dapper tot die dood toe. Besorgde moeders haas hulle om hul kindertjies te versteek. Sal hul veilig hiervan afkom?

Met my Bybel in die hand klim ek op die disselboom van 'n wa. Stadig stap die boere en hul vroue nader. Elke hoof word in aanbidding gebuig wyl ek 'n paar versies lees en die Skepper vra om Sy wil te laat geskied.

Al naderend word die bloedstollende geskreeu van die vyand gehoor. Met nuwe hoop en vertroue op die Allerhoogste neem die Voortrekkers hul posisies in.

Swart kruitdampe borrel by die lope van die bulderende ou sannas uit. Met elke slag stort daar 'n impi in sy spore neer. Vinnig laai die vrouens, maar dit gaan nog te stadig. Ek bemerk hoe die Zoeloes die laer stadig indring. Ons is verlore. Net een gedagte is daar nou in my kop. Ek moet soos 'n lafaard vlug en versterking gaan soek. Vreesbevange gryp ek 'n perd en vlug.

Dit was die wil van die Here dat ons moes uitgemoor word.

Maar ons sal nog aanhou totdat ons hierdie woeste land vir ons nageslagte getem het sodat hul veilig daarin mag woon.

—A. J. Coetzee, Vorm IIIa.

HELDHAFTIGE DAAD, ERKEN DEUR SY MAAT

(met alle opregte eerbied aan F. van den Heever)

Die houe die reën dat sy sitplek so brand.
„Eina!" vir die hoeveelste keer;
maar die wrede meneer het mos nie 'n hart,
en die stok slaan genadeloos neer.

„'n Uur nog, net een!" 'n Uur van die hel.
„As ek net my trane kan hou,
dan sal ek 'n les aan die ‚moordenaar' leer."
En hy bid sonder handegevou.

Wild en wyd, wild en wyd,
suis die stok deur die boonste lug deur.
Hy voel net daaronder die stok se gedonder,
en sy gesig is nie al wat verkleur.

Daar snik nou 'n seuntjie, 'n teken van neerlaag.
Blits hemel en aarde deureen;
die stok breek, die seun het gewen—
maar die ‚moordenaar' vat nou nog een.

„Buk weer!" kommandeer hy. Wild en wyd
fluit die nuwe stok weer deur die lug.
Die seuntjie verduur nou die vreeslikste pyn,
maar hy dink ook nie eens meer aan vlug.

„Laat staan, hy's 'n held. Three cheers vir ou Jan!"
sê die klaskaptein hees in die keel.
Die mure weerklink met drie harde hoera's,
en die lug word van skryfboeke geel.

—H. Brand, Vorm Va.

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'N NUWE ONDERVINDING

Carolina is 'n klein dorpie omtrent 'n honderd myl van Witbank af. Die mense daar is vriendelike, ja, gawe dorpenaars en die huise is vol gasvryheid.

Sewe myl verder het ons die plaas bereik. Die huis, 'n nuwe gebou, was bo teen 'n randjie geleë. 'n Duisend tree verder was die stal, ook 'n nuwe gebou. Op hierdie plaas het die mense gewoon wat so 'n nuwe ondervinding in my lewe moontlik gemaak het.

Toe ons daar kom, het ons dadelik geëet, en daarna ou klere aangetrek.

Saam met die jong eienaar van die plaas het ons na die stal geloop. Die melkery was aan die gang en later het die vragmotor die melkkanne kom oplaai.

Dit was 'n Saterdag en in die namiddag werk die volk nie. Ons jong gasheer het die perde gevang en dié dag het ek my eerste les gehad in die kuns om perd te ry. Dit was heerlik en ek het gou geleer.

Sondag het ons gerus. Daar was net die melkery wat aangegaan het.

En toe begin twee van die aangenaamste weke wat ek ooit in my lewe deurgebring het. Perdry, skiet, help met die plaaswerkies, en die melkery was aan die orde van die dag. Al die verskillende dele van die plaaslewe het my dae daar gelukkig en genotvol gemaak.

Die dag toe ek die plaas moes verlaat was vir my 'n treurige dag, maar eendag gaan ek terug na die plek van toevlug, van rus en van vrede.

—D. Wilton, Vorm IIIa.

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DIT SAL EK ONTHOU . . .

Die dennebome orals om die skool; die lied van die windjie as dit saggies daardeur waai; die rugbyvelde in die môreson, met die dou wat soos duisende diamante skitter op die gras; die groot ou gebou; die gelag van seuns in die stil gebou.

Die seuns as hul in die gloeiende son daarbuite speel; die kadetteparade; die laaste klok van die dag; die skool nadat almal weg is; die stilte en eensaamheid dan.

Die winter; die rugbywedstryde; die byeenkomste in die môre; die aanhef van die liedere en die gebed.

Ja, al die dinge en nog baie ander ryk herinneringe sal ek nog baie lank in my lewe onthou . . . .

—G. Kallman, Vorm Va.

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LENTE OP SKOOL

As die lente aankom, kom daar terselfdertyd 'n tydperk van verandering in die algemene atmosfeer op skool aand. 'n Gevoel van vrede begin—wanneer jy tot die ontnugtering geraak dat die jaar meer as halfpad agter die rug is.

Die gras word groen. Die mimosa langs die draad, die ander bome en blomme word vol bloeisels. Die lug word verfrissend en die dae warmer. Ons word wakkergeskud tot die werklikheid van die lewe.

—R. Dall, Vorm IVa.

GAMES

CRICKET

FIRST ELEVEN

4th Term 1953:

Vs. Benoni High at Benoni.

The school travelled to Benoni for our first match of the 1953 summer and scored a glorious victory. Benoni 70. (Broekhuizen 5 for 23, Bates 2 for 12) School 74 for no wickets (Van der Merwe 35 not out, Clarke 31 not out).

We won by 10 wickets.

Vs. Springs B.H.S. at Springs.

On the following Saturday we travelled to Springs and with a nasty cross wind all day, faded out of the picture after a grand start. Springs were dismissed just before lunch for 104. (Waugh 4 for 19, Broekhuizen 3 for 29). The wind increased in velocity after the lunch interval when we started to bat and our batting faded hopelessly and we were all out for 55.

Springs won by a fair margin of 49 runs.

Vs. Brakpan at Brakpan.

Here we had our second grand victory within a week. On a matting wicket this Wednesday afternoon we dismissed Brakpan for 105. (Sayers 4 for 31, Waugh 2 for 25, Baird 2 for 25) and went on to score 107 for the loss of 4 wickets. (Babb 37, Allen 25, Clarke 24).

We won by 6 wickets.

Vs. Marist Bros. Observatory at Observatory.

Here Stubbs of Marist Bros. hit a quick 98 before he was bowled by Bates, Marists scoring 184 for 8. (Bates 3 for 25). Our batting again failed and we were dismissed for 49 and 30 for 4.

Marist Bros. won on the first innings by 135 runs.

Vs. Forest High at Forest.

Forest went in and scored 144. Bates had the time of his life taking 7 wickets for 29 runs. We stood quite a chance of winning this match when Bates, coming in at No. 9, made a stand of 53, Clarke having scored 27. But we were unlucky to lose the last two wickets quickly, being all out for 136.

Forest won by 8 runs.

Vs. Boksburg High at School.

Kessel scored a neat 50, Gordon 31 and Bates 28 not out. 149 all out. The Boksburg defence was stubborn and not even Broekhuizen, taking 4 wickets for 51 runs could break their backs. They went on to score 116 for 6.

The match thus ended in a draw.

Vs. Athlone at Athlone.

We always seem to find a wet wicket at Athlone and on the 7th of November again after a heavy downpour overnight we were made to bat on a wicket which was simply waterlogged. We were all out for 40, the lowest score of the season. Athlone passed our score for the loss of 6 wickets although Sayers bowled well to take 4 wickets for 16 runs.

Athlone won by 4 wickets.

Vs. Marist Bros. Inanda at School.

By this time the Form V's had withdrawn owing to examinations and Clarke, who was not writing till March, took over the captaincy from Kessel and made a very good job of it. We had a good day scoring 143. (Gordon 36, Broekhuizen 33, Fanaroff 30 not out). Marist Bros. were dismissed for 89 (Broekhuizen 7 for 27).

The school won by 54 runs.

The year ended off with a match between the Matrics and the Masters. Masters 148 (Mr. Vos 40 retired, Mr. Meyers 33). Matrics 100 for 6.

The match was drawn.

Thus ended a successful year of cricket at this school: played 8, won 3, lost 4, drew 1. Among the Matrics the school lost a very attractive batsman in Mike Kessel who also captained the side well and won his colours for the second time.

Broekhuizen proved the most successful bowler of the year and together with Clarke, he and Kessel attended the Nuffield Trials at Kent Park. We learned afterwards that had Clarke steadied himself he might have gained selection.

A word of thanks to Mr. John Hurry for his help with the coaching and umpiring before taking an appointment at his Alma Mater, King Edwards, and to Brian Farquharson for doing the scoring.

First Term 1954.

It has almost become tradition now for our first match in the new year to be washed out. This year we entertained our local friends, Afrikaans Hoër, and after two overs the match had to be abandoned because of rain. We met them later on in the term again.

Vs. Benoni High at School.

Clarke, who was back at school for the first term, acted in a temporary capacity as captain and proved a very good skipper. In this, our first all day match of the year, he scored a lovely 43 while Babb contributed 20 in a total of 98 for 4. Unfortunately the declaration came a little too late (no blame on Clarke) and Benoni went on to score 47 for 7. (Pieters 3 for 19, Hunter 3 for 6).

The match was drawn.

Vs. Boksburg High at School.

After Boksburg had scored 131 (Pieters 3 for 19, Edwards 3 for 40) we had little time over to get the runs but at the same time had to go carefully after we had lost a few valuable wickets. However, we managed to collect 64 for 8, (Gordon 23).

The match was drawn.

Vs. Athlone High at School.

We were out to avenge our defeat at Athlone and did so in grand style. In the first innings we scored 99, (Pieters 37) and Athlone were all out for 54, (Pieters 4 for 26, Edwards 3 for 11). In the second innings Athlone were all out for 35 after some fine bowling by Pieters, (2 for 7) Hunter, (3 for 8) and Williams (4 for 9).

We won by an innings and 10 runs.

Vs. Afrikaans Hoër at Delville.

This was a Wednesday afternoon match in which Afrikaans Hoër did well to score 78. (Hunter 5 for 33, Archbold 4 for 29). Our boys managed to stave off defeat by scoring 74 for 8 as time ran out and wickets were falling fast. (Rakusin 20).

The match was drawn.

Vs. Marist Bros. Observatory at School.

After reaping the valuable wickets of Stubbs, Thorn and Hurley, (Pieters 2 for 27) the rain came down in torrents and the match had to be abandoned.

Vs. Brakpan High at School.

Brakpan scored a very good 115 for 7 declared, (Archbold 4 for 23) and we managed to collect 84 for 7 (Jackson 42 not out).

The match was drawn.

Vs. Krügersdorp High at School.

This was the first time we had met our old rivals from the West Rand for a long time and they certainly deserved their victory, our batting

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failing badly to the spin bowling of Tagg and Co. We were all out for 66, Edwards making a good stand of 21 not out at the death. Krugersdorp got 70 for 8 (Pieters 2 for 15, Edwards 3 for 11).

Krugersdorp won by 2 wickets.

Vs. Marist Bros. Inanda at Inanda.

In our last match of a short term we were soundly thrashed by Marist Bros. We scored 98, (Pieters 41, Jackson 24). Marist Bros. scored 107 for 5, (Hunter 3 for 30).

Marist won by 5 wickets.

As a general remark I wish to state that our boys would probably do much better with more concentration in fielding, determination in batting and taking the game more seriously all round. There were far too many lapses in fielding. A player may sometimes have to throw himself out at full length on the deck even at the cost of a dirty patch on his pants.

Pieters proved to be our best allrounder, although his batting is most unorthodox and only his good eye gets him the runs.

Edwards proved a valuable slow offspinner and with a better control of length might have taken many more wickets.

Gordon may turn out to be a good bat in a year or two if he learns to play less to the spectators.

We managed to build up a young and solid side that should do well next year.

A word of thanks to the ladies of the Parents' Association for preparing the lunches for us. Visiting schools have often complimented us on the lunches and teas they have been served, and we hope the ladies will continue to support us. We thank, too, the headmaster for doing his share and more of the umpiring.

—P.A.V.

SECOND ELEVEN

We have not had a brilliant season, but still play the game with relish, enjoying every minute of it. Of eight matches played we have lost three, and drawn five. A few performances were worth mentioning: good batting by D. Baker and D. Jackson against Boksburg, and good bowling by Archbold against Athlone. Some bowling averages to date are: W. Archbold, 9 wkts. for 33 runs; T. Llewellyn, 16 wkts. for 165 runs.

We are looking forward to better playing from the team. Batting seems to be the main weakness, so put in some practice, chaps. Remember Don Bradman!

—W.T.H.

Second Eleven Results

vs. Boksburg—Drawn. School 138 for 9, Boksburg 111 for 9. (Jackson 50, Baker 57).
vs. Athlone—Lost by 1 wkt. Athlone 56 for 9. School 44 (Archbold 6 for 13).
vs. Marists Observatory—Rain washed out play. Marists 153 for 2.
vs. Springs—Drawn. School 105 for 9. Springs 69 for 9.
vs. Marists Inanda—Lost by 7 wkts. School 110. Marists 172 for 6.
vs. Marists Inanda—Lost by 58 runs. Marists 155. School 97 (Marnewecke 33 not out).
vs. Athlone—Drawn. School 119. Athlone 74 for 6.
vs. Brakpan—Drawn. School 105, Brakpan 50 for 5 (Llewellyn 40).

UNDER FOURTEEN

Of the ten matches we have played, one has been won, two lost and seven drawn. Though the largeness of the number of drawn matches may seem unsatisfactory, many of them were close and exciting and, in most of these, the other schools were lucky to force a draw with us.

In the match against Boksburg we needed two runs with four wickets in hand when stumps were drawn. Against Forest we made 129 in 1¼ hours but time again robbed us of victory. Against Brakpan, in our second match, we needed only 8 runs to win when the clock showed six o'clock.

The team seemed to take a long time to get into its stride, but improved steadily. Some of the batting has been good: King's average for 9 matches was 33; Parsons' for 8 was 20. There have been dropped catches but the ground fielding has been good. Some of the bowling averages are: for 8 matches, Hayward 14.1, for 9 matches, Jankowitz 11.9.

The players have all had a grand time playing together. They have not been disheartened by the number of drawn matches but have started every game with the utmost confidence.

Boys who usually played were: Parsons, King, Zeiss, Jankowitz, Connellan, Baird, Ward, Beattie, Becker, Thorp, Wolpert, Hayward, Clinton, Davidson, Butterworth, Lithgow, Markus, Green, Brown, McConnell, Wade.

—M.J.

Results (U. 14)

vs. Brakpan—Won by 19 runs. School 42 for 6. Brakpan 23 for 5 decl.
vs. Boksburg—Drawn. School 111 for 6, Boksburg 104 for 6.
vs. Marists Observatory—Lost by 78 runs. Marists 110 for 5, School 32.

vs. Springs—Drawn. School 72, Springs 66 for 6. (Parsons 33).
vs. Rooseveldt—Drawn. Rooseveldt 130. School 110 for 8.
vs. Marists Inanda—Drawn. School 97. Marists 84 for 7.
vs. Marists Inanda—Drawn. Marists 111 for 9, School 76 for 7.
vs. Athlone—Lost by 9 wkts. School 61, Athlone 63 for 1.
vs. Forest—Drawn. Forest 139. School 129 for 8.
vs. Brakpan—Drawn. Brakpan 107. School 98 for 8.

UNDER THIRTEEN

This group has shown the enthusiasm of past teams but has not yet settled down to be a good all-round side.

Unfortunately the batting has been very weak except for a few consistent batsmen, like Lithgow, Weinberg and Theron. Against Marists Inanda (our strongest opponents this year so far), only Weinberg and Lithgow showed promise of batting confidently against a good left-arm bowler.

The fielding has been good and keen. The strength of this group lies in a varied bowling attack, although the opening bowlers have not been very effective, except for Wright, who has bowled consistently but who lacks the pace of an opening bowler. There are a number of spin bowlers who should develop well.

During the season most of our opponents were dismissed for moderate totals only to find our boys scoring fewer runs. Great improvement has already been shown by this team, but only if the batting improves will they do well against their opponents.

—B.M.

Results (U. 13)

vs. Forest—Lost by 2 wkts. School 42, Forest 43 for 8.
vs. Rooseveldt—Lost by 6 wkts. School 38, Rooseveldt 39 for 4.
vs. Marists Inanda—Lost by 9 wkts. School 73, Marists 74 for 1.
vs. Marists Observatory—Lost by 4 runs. Marists 47, School 43.
vs. Springs—Won by 1 run. School 99, Springs 98.
vs. Goedehoop—Lost by 10 wkts. School 28, Goedehoop 29 for 0.
vs. Marists Inanda—Lost by 4 wkts. School 84, Marists 85 for 6.
vs. Athlone—Lost by 5 wkts. School 14, Athlone 15 for 5.
vs. Forest—Won by 6 wkts. Forest 68, School 70 for 4.

RUGBY 1954

FIRST FIFTEEN

Rugby of a higher standard, played in a better spirit, was the slogan for the 1954 season at this school.

With the introduction of semi-compulsory games we started off with 226 boys of all ages entering for rugby. The critical position arose where four masters had to train these 226 boys on one field and it very often happened that four teams were practising at the same time on the same field. Yet this drawback was overcome and we managed to fulfil all our fixtures.

If we were to judge by results, we might despair. But results have never yet made a rugby match enjoyable or otherwise. In the words of Hennie Muller: "There is just as much satisfaction to be gained from honourable defeat as from meritorious victory." We have been beaten on several occasions but never disgraced.

At times our boys played rugby of a very high standard. I am thinking in particular of the first match against C.B.C. when that exhilarating, refreshing, almost copybook rugby was displayed —and we were playing with fourteen boys, Rakusin having put his shoulder out. The school won 11—3.

Then our first meeting with Springs Boys' High at Springs provided the same sort of rugby and we lost by the narrow margin of 3—6.

The match against the Old Boys where we met some grand players like Deyzel, Marshall and Shaw, to mention only three, also provided rugby of a good standard. Although we went down 3—19, we were taught some lessons of good, solid rucking and fast backing up by both forwards and backs.

Our second match against Athlone Boys' High, one of the strongest sides we met (they licked us in the first round by 27—0) was a model of solid defence against marauding loose forwards. This match ended in a pointless draw but provided several highlights.

I feel I must stress a few points in connection with our play which may be of assistance to boys in future years. Determination is number one. Too many boys think that rugby is a gentleman's game; of course it is; but it is also one in which no mercy is given and if an opponent is brought down hard the first time, he may think twice before attempting similar tactics again. This leads on to tackling—tackling hard and low. An opponent taken round the knees has to get up before he can continue

to play . Many a halfheartedly attempted tackle round the neck has led to points against us during this season.

I also hope that some of our boys who have plenty of rugby in them, will keep up with the game after leaving school and perhaps we can yield a few more provincial players like Dudley Holton who has so aptly led the field, and Derek Shaw who is soon to follow. Our congratulations to "Mickey" on winning his colours for Eastern Transvaal in the Currie Cup season just concluded. We saw him play some grand games at full back for his province. Derek Shaw has shown his paces on the wing for the Transvaal Under 19 side on several occasions and should go far.

Critique

Edwards: Sidney has proved himself the best fullback this school has produced for many years. He has command over excellent positional play, good hands, and a good place kick unfortunately discovered rather late in the season. He certainly earned his colours.

Statholulis: A wing with force and speed but lacking in the most essential requirement of a wing, namely thrust. Not enough determination to go for the corner.

Vermeulen: A centre with the necessary speed but not quick enough to spot an opening. He captained the side well.

Pieters: Would have done better had he not been injured so often. He is fast enough to become a thrusting three quarter next season.

Roux: Gideon will never learn positional play. He should go into the forwards next year. Sound in defence.

Rakusin: A very neat fly-half who struck a good combination with his scrum-half. Unfortunately, injuries held him out of several matches.

Milroy: A plucky, hardy scrum-half with a good service. He is inclined to be too selfish at times.

Button: A solid frontranker, hardworking in the line-outs. Earned his colours through sheer hard work..

Brenner: A fast striker for the ball, good in the loose. Illness kept him out of several matches.

Simpson: The real tough worker in the ruck. Has plenty of rugby in him. Honestly earned his colours.

McConnell: A flanker of some brilliant spells. Inclined to be lazy at times.

Farquharson: Still the line-out forward. Earned his colours again through good, brainy football. Brian should go far.

Rautenbach: A newcomer to the game who earned his colours in his first year in the 1st XV. A hard rucker, always on the ball.

Haggerty: Developing. Should do well next year.

Gordon: The rover type of eighth man who scores opportunist tries through being where the ball is. He must develop his defence.

—P.A.V.

SECOND and THIRD XV's

The Second XV was well below the standard of the First, losing almost every game. The team was courageously captained by H. Brand, who also played in the First team on three occasions. Others who played in the First at times were: Levinthal, Howard, Whitson, Theron, du Preez, Llewellyn, Beadon and Simpson.

The Third XV had very few matches, but these did include a victory over Marists, Inanda.

—P.A.V.

UNDER 15

The Under 15 division played good rugby this year, and in the matches we lost we were beaten by small margins. We started the year with two teams and both showed a great deal of promise. Unfortunately however, in spite of the system of semi-compulsory sport, the attendance at practices fell off, though not as badly as last year, and some people had to play two matches in one day. This is bad and inevitably leads to a lower standard of play. At one stage we were rather unfortunately beaten by illness when more than half of our A team was away.

Robert Thorpe again proved a fine intelligent player and good captain, while John Westpfahl and George Petersen maintained an outstanding standard throughout the season.

The following boys represented the school in the majority of matches:

"A" Team: R. Thorpe, J. Westpfahl, G. Petersen, J. Shein, N. le Roux, T. Burne, A. Coetzee, S. Strydom, C. Mullinos, B. Singleton, K. Whiffler, R. Coulson, P. Mileham, M. Herr, P. Godley.

"B" Team: M. Sylvester, V. Nathanson, A. Jones, P. Smith, B. Rix, C. Allan, V. Higgs, P. Putter, E. van der Walt, J. Hitchcock, L. van Wyk, W. McGarvie, D. Mather, C. Clinton, H. Hayes F. McNeill, P. Kinnear.

—P.E.C.

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UNDER 14

Only a few games were won this year. There was a great deal of enthusiasm for most matches and most of the players went onto the field with the proper attitude, i.e. to play the game in the proper spirit and to try to win, but that after the match the result would not matter much. But

CADET OFFICERS, 1954.

Back Row: S/O. L. Gordon, S/O. M. McConnell, S/O. D. Jackson, Drum-Major D. Petzer, S/O. D. Baker, S/O. H. Brand, S/O. W. Rakusin.

Centre Row: S/O. G. Kallman, S/O. C. Hunter, S/O. R. Vermeulen, S/O. P. Statholulis, S/O. L. Howden, S/O. B. Farquharson, S/O. D. Liebenberg, S/O. C. Wilson, S/O. S. Fanaroff.

Sitting: Mr. P. E. Cochrane (Bandmaster), Lt. E. J. du Plessis, Capt. P. A. Vos, Comdt. H. C. Robinson, Comdt. C. L. Wapenaar, Capt. W. A. D. Phillips, Lt. R. J. Webb, Lt. B. Meyers.

Absent: Lt. W. T. Haffern, S/O. R. Hosmer.

at times a few players became selfish and argued among themselves, something which we hope will not occur again.

The quality of rugby in the Under 14 group continues to improve from year to year. There are a number of very promising players in this group. Keys is a magnificent forward, who will never give up trying. Jankowitz at full-back proved to be an excellent player throughout the season and seems to have mastered full-back play but for one weakness, tackling. Gunn at centre or fly-half began to show great form in going for the gap with the necessary dash and determination. Markus, the captain, kept trying to inspire his team.

The forwards were a good combination this season and matched most of their opponents, who were sometimes much heavier and taller than they. Improvement in the loose forward play would have made our forwards an excellent pack. The threequarters were good, they tried hard and never disgraced themselves.

The best game of the season was undoubtedly against Rooseveldt. In this game both sides played magnificent rugby. It was a fast, open game with the ball swinging about amongst the threequarters and forwards. The tackling was excellent. Threequarter movements were a delight to see. Gunn's try was a very good effort. Even though we lost, this is the sort of rugby we like to see.

—B.M.

UNDER 14 "B"

This team was perhaps the best in the school as they were undoubtedly very successful this season. Of the many matches played all were won except one drawn and one lost. Many of the games were close and exciting.

The fellows in the team were good for a "B" team, although some were only first season beginners. They were all good-spirited, keen players.

—J.W. and D.G.

UNDER 13

The teams started off very well at the beginning of the season, with Theron scoring many points for his side with kicks to the posts.

The threequarters played well and kept throwing the ball about to score many tries. The forwards did not play too well and were nearly always pushed off the ball.

During the middle of the season, De Jager and Theron could not play; this meant that the "A" team were at a definite disadvantage as was certainly shown in the games in which they did not play. The "B" side also suffered when Allan (captain), broke his arm (not at rugby). Luckily Wright started playing in the threequarter line and brought the "B" team right again.

Near the end of the season we played against Springs. They were considered to be one of the strongest teams of the season. The "B" team played very well and drew with Springs.

—J.B.

RUGBY RESULTS

	1st XV	2nd XV	3rd XV	U. 15a	U. 15b	U. 14a	U. 14b	U. 13a	U. 13b
Forest	5 - 11	6 - 11	3 - 25	11 - 8	3 - 11	5 - 15	16 - 0	3 - 0	0 - 17
Voortrekker	0 - 16	0 - 29							
Marists Inanda	6 - 6	0 - 17	6 - 0	8 - 11	0 - 17	3 - 8		3 - 3	0 - 15
Marists Observatory	0 - 42	3 - 19		0 - 0 19 - 12	3 - 21	3 - 5	3 - 3	3 - 6	3 - 3
C.B.C., Boksburg	11 - 3								
Goedehoop	11 - 14	3 - 28							
Highlands North	8 - 14			0 - 3 5 - 8		0 - 8		5 - 16	
Afrikaans Hoër	0 - 30	3 - 29		3 - 11		0 - 14		0 - 16	
Athlone	0 - 27	11 - 0		5 - 8 11 - 11	6 - 17	0 - 18 8 - 14	8 - 3 3 - 0	0 - 8 0 - 27	0 - 15 9 - 3
Alberton	9 - 6	0 - 31	0 - 25						
Rooseveldt			6 - 11	11 - 11 0 - 5		8 - 3	6 - 3	6 - 3	15 - 3
Springs	3 - 6			3 - 9	5 - 5	0 - 24	0 - 20	0 - 0 9 - 3	

Points of School mentioned first

TENNIS 1954

This has been a very good year. The first and second teams were placed second in their leagues, both teams losing only two matches each.

A very interesting tennis Championship Tournament was held in June. The tournament was divided into three groups: seniors, juniors and a plate event. Congratulations go to C. Babb as senior singles champion, C. Babb and S. Fanaroff as senior doubles champions, B. King as junior singles champion, and J. Theron and R. Baikie as junior doubles champions. P. Cachia won the plate event.

Colours were awarded to the following five boys: D. Baker, L. Evans, S. Fanaroff, C. Babb and P. Jackson.

I thank Miss E. Terblanche and Mr. C. Wapenaar for managing the junior group and second team respectively.

In the Inter-High Schools tournament we reached the quarter finals in which we were beaten by K.E.S. in a very close match.

—T.M.

TENNIS RESULTS

First Team

	First Round	Second Round
vs. Boksburg	won 46 - 35	lost 35 - 46
vs. Brakpan	won 54 - 27	won 63 - 18
vs. C.B.C.	lost 33 - 48	won 43 - 38
vs. Benoni	won 52 - 29	won 41 - 40
vs. Highlands N.	lost 33 - 48	

Second Team

	First Round	Second Round
vs. Brakpan	won 41 - 40	won 51 - 30
vs. Afrikaans Hoër	won 46 - 35	won 58 - 23
vs. Boksburg	won 42 - 39	won 52 - 29
vs. Benoni	lost 29 - 52	lost 37 - 44
vs. Voortrekker	won 50 - 31	

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ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS MEETING

For the first time our annual athletic sports meeting was held during the first term — on 20th March 1954. It proved to be a success as the athletes had more time at their disposal for intensive training. This was borne out by the fact that no fewer than eight records were created, i.e.:

High Jump (U. 13) 4ft. 5½ins. (J. Theron).

Hop, Step & Jump (U. 15) 35ft. 3ins. (W. Burgess).

Hop, Step & Jump (Open) 38ft. 10 ins. (J. Pieters).

880 Yds. (Junior) 2 mins. 22.9 secs. (W. Burgess).

Discus (Open) 102ft. 9½ins. (R. Vermeulen).

110 Yds. Hurdles (U. 16) 15.3 secs. (G. Roux).

Mile (Junior) 5 mins. 27.2 secs. (W. Burgess).

Mile (Senior) 5 mins. 5 secs. (M. McConnell).

Apart from new records which were put up, there were some outstanding times in the following events:—

110 Yds. (Open) 10.4 secs. (P. Stathoulis).

220 Yds. (U. 16) 24.3 secs. (L. Gordon).

220 Yds. (Open) 23.3 secs. (P. Stathoulis).

A new system was tried out this year, whereby each House was allowed to enter two athletes in the final events. This eliminated the system of heats, and the Houses held their own "sports meeting" instead. It did not meet with success and we shall in future most probably go back to the old system.

After the field events had been decided (one week before Sports Day proper) the position of the Houses was as follows: Botha 55 points, Churchill 35, Smuts 30 and Montgomery 24. We should like to congratulate Botha House on winning the trophy for two years in succession. The final position was:— First, Botha House with 146½ points, Second, Churchill House with 136 points; then came Smuts House with 104½ points and Montgomery House last, with 92 points.

R. Vermeulen (B) tied with J. Pieters (S) for Victor Ludorum.

We are grateful to the Parents' Committee who served tea. We should also like to thank Mrs. S. Liddiard for kindly presenting the floating trophies and cups.

—E.J. du P.

Hey diddle diddle, loudspeaker and fiddle,
Holtzhausen jumped over the moon.
The little dog laughed to see such fun
And Montgomery ran away with the spoon.

Results

1. **High Jump (U. 13).** 1st J. Theron; 2nd J. Bennie; 3rd A. A. Wright. Height 4ft. 5½ins. (Record).

2. **High Jump (U. 14).** 1st N. Davidson; 2nd N. Good; 3rd N. Seaward. Height 4ft. 7½ins.

3. **High Jump (U. 15).** 1st P. Mileham; 2nd A. Jones; 3rd S. Strydom. Height 4ft. 10¾ins.

4. **High Jump (U. 16).** 1st A. Simpson; 2nd M. Cox; 3rd B. Howard. Height 4ft. 10¾ins.

5. **High Jump (Open).** 1st J. Holtzhausen and A. Liebman; 3rd R. Hosmer and A. Gilchrist. Height 5ft. 0ins.

6. **Long Jump (U. 13).** 1st J. Theron; 2nd B. Siemers; 3rd J. M. Burke. Distance 13ft. 1½ins.

7. **Long Jump (U. 14).** 1st A. Stathoulis; 2nd E. Juby; 3rd N. Seaward. Distance 14ft. 1½ins.

8. **Long Jump (U. 16).** 1st G. Roux; 2nd N. Koumandarakis; 3rd P. Hattingh. Distance 16ft. 11½ins.

9. **Long Jump (Open).** 1st R. Vermeulen; 2nd G. Roux; 3rd D. Liebenberg. Distance 18ft. 8ins.

10. **Hop, Step and Jump (U. 13).** 1st J. Theron; 2nd A. Dolling; 3rd J. Bennie. Distance 29ft. 4ins.

11. **Hop, Step and Jump (U. 14).** 1st N. Davidson; 2nd N. Seaward; 3rd C. Markus. Distance 32ft. 11ins.

12. **Hop, Step and Jump (U. 15).** 1st A. Burgess; 2nd A. Jones; 3rd P. Mileham. Distance 35ft. 3ins. (Record).

13. **Hop, Step and Jump (U. 16).** 1st G. Roux; 2nd M. O'Riordan; 3rd A. Simpson. Distance 37ft. 11ins.

14. **Hop, Step and Jump (Open).** 1st J. Pieters; 2nd R. Vermeulen; 3rd G. Roux. Distance 38ft. 10ins. (Record).

15. **880 Yards (Junior).** 1st A. Burgess, 2nd N. Theys; 3rd J. Shein. Time 2 mins. 22.9 secs. (Record).

16. **880 Yards (Senior).** 1st M. McConnell; 2nd D. Booyens; 3rd M. Swanepoel. Time 2 mins. 13.7 secs.

17. **Long Jump (U. 15).** 1st A. Jones and A. Coetzee; 3rd P. Mileham. Distance 16ft. 0½in.

18. **Discus (Open).** 1st R. Vermeulen; 2nd H. Ross-Kent; 3rd G. Roux. Distance 102ft. 9½ins. (Record).

19. **Shot Putt (Open).** 1st H. Ross-Kent; 2nd C. Hunter; 3rd J. Pieters. Distance 36ft 6ins.

20. **80 Yards Hurdles (U. 13).** 1st J. Theron; 2nd C. Botes; 3rd W. Pridgeon. Time 14 secs.

21. **80 Yards Hurdles (U.14).** 1st N. Seaward; 2nd F. Wade; 3rd J. Robertson. Time 13.5 secs.

22. **110 Yards Hurdles (U. 15).** 1st A. Jones; 2nd S. Strydom; 3rd P. Mileham. Time 17.5 secs.

23. **110 Yards Hurdles (U. 16).** 1st G. Roux; 2nd B. Howard; 3rd A. Simpson. Time 15.3 secs. (Record).

24. **110Yards Hurdles (Open).** 1st J. Pieters; 2nd M. McConnell; 3rd J. Whitson. Time 15.8 secs.

25. **100 Yards (U. 13).** 1st A. Dolling; 2nd L. Leppan; 3rd C. Botes. Time 13.1 secs.

26. **100 Yards (U. 14).** 1st E. Markus and J. Robertson; 3rd N. Davidson. Time 12.4 secs.

27. **100 Yards (U. 15).** 1st V. Nathanson; 2nd J. Shein; 3rd J. Westpfahl. Time 11.8 secs.

28. **100 Yards (U. 16).** 1st L. Gordon; 2nd G. Roux; 3rd J. Morris. Time 10.9 secs.

29. **100 Yards (Open).** 1st P. Stathoulis; 2nd J. Pieters; 3rd R. Vermeulen. Time 10.4 secs.

30. **220 Yards (U. 13).** 1st A. Dolling; 2nd L. Leppan; 3rd W. Boshoff. Time 29.1 secs.

31. **220 Yards (U. 14).** 1st E. Markus; 2nd N. Davidson; 3rd J. Robertson. Time 27.8 secs.

32. **220 Yards (U. 15).** V. Nathanson, 2nd P. Mileham; 3rd J. Westpfahl. Time 27 secs.

33. **220 Yards (U. 16).** 1st L. Gordon; 2nd G. Roux; 3rd J. Morris. Time 24.3 secs.

34. **220 Yards (Open).** 1st P. Stathoulis; 2nd J. Pieters; 3rd R. Vermeulen. Time 23.3 secs.

35. **Junior Mile.** 1st A. Burgess; 2nd A. Landman; 3rd F. v. d. Heuvel. Time 5 mins 27.2 secs. (Record).

36. **Senior Mile.** 1st M. McConnell; 2nd B. Murphy; 3rd D. Booyens. Time 5 mins. 5 secs. (Record).

37. **Relay 440 Yards (U. 13).** 1st Botha; 2nd Montgomery, 3rd Churchill. Time 60.1 secs.

38. **Relay 440 Yards (U. 14).** 1st Smuts; 2nd Botha; 3rd Churchill. Time 56.6 secs.

39. **Relay 440 Yards (U. 15).** 1st Churchill; 2nd Smuts; 3rd Botha. Time 55.1 secs.

40. **Relay 440 Yards (U. 16).** 1st Churchill; 2nd Botha; 3rd Smuts. Time 51 secs.

41. **440 Yards (Open).** 1st D. Booyens; 2nd R. Vermeulen; 3rd J. Pieters. Time 54.9 secs.

42. **440 Yards (U. 15).** 1st A. Burgess; 2nd G. Trollip, 3rd L. van Wyk. Time 63 secs.

43. **440 Yards (U. 16).** 1st G. Roux; 2nd L. Gordon; 3rd M. Swanepoel. Time 55.7 secs.

44. **Invitation Race.** 1st J. Myburgh; 2nd B. Breval; 3rd V. Rautenbach. Time 10.5 secs.

45. **Tug-of-war.** 1st Botha; 2nd Smuts; 3rd Churchill.

46. **Staff Race.** 1st P. Vos; 2nd E. Wainman; 3rd T. Roux. Time !

47. **Old Germistonians' Race.** 1st G. English; 2nd J. Baird; 3rd K. Blake. Time 10.8 secs.

48. **Standard Relay.** 1st Churchill; 2nd Botha; 3rd Smuts. Time 4 mins 7.9 secs.

INTER-HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS.

24th SEPTEMBER – DELVILLE, GERMISTON.

Friday was a warm, windy day. As expected, the runners in most of the races were helped by the following wind, and not many records remained unbroken: 17 were broken and 3 equalled.

None of the team, from the captain, R. Vermeulen, to the smallest U. 13 member, expected Germiston to win.

Our team, however, was very keen and very fit, and here I think all our boys will join with me in saying a very hearty "Well done!" to all the masters who trained us. They played no small part in our eventual victory.

The sports opened with the Open 110 yards Hurdles. After this race, Germiston must have envisaged a repetition of our last year's performance. So far in these sports, we have not so much as gained a third place in this event. The winning time was .6 secs inside the record.

The next race was the Under 16 Hurdles, which Roux won for us, in a record time of 14.5 secs., 1.1 secs. better than the previous record.

Once more, in the Under 15 Hurdles, Banducci broke the previous record, and added more points to our total.

Event 4 was the gruelling 880 yards (Open). Booyens ran a truly magnificent race, to win by a few yards. Although he was behind, a final burst of speed put him ahead, showing what terrific stamina he has. His time of 2 mins. 6 secs. was a new record.

Another gain in points was made when Burgess ran a good race in the Junior 880 yards, tc win comfortably, after taking the lead with 400 yards to go. His time of 2 mins. 15 secs. was a new record.

In the 100 yards race our Under 13 boys were not quite fast enough, and we failed to get a place. This race was won in a record time of 11.4 secs. In the Under 14 race, which was also won in a record time of 11.3 secs, we managed to get only a third place.

The Under 15 100 yards was won by Nathanson in 11.1 secs., which equalled the record. Westpfahl was just behind in second place.

Gordon was expected to win the Under 16 100 yards, but Roux beat him into second place. His time of 10.3 secs. was a new record which beat the previous open record by .3 secs. Roux's time in the Under 16 Hurdles also beat the previous Open Hurdles record by .2 secs. Roux is an outstanding prospect.

Livingstone of Marists, who, I believe, broke 6 school records at the Marists sports meeting this year, won the 100 yards Open in 10.2 secs. adding another record to his total. Stathoulis breasted almost at the same time. These two were a considerable distance ahead of the third man.

Although we were not the hefty boys, Anderson won the shot putt, with a good 39 foot throw. Unfortunately for us, we were no match for our long-legged friends from Springs, in the Open High Jump, but we did manage to gain some points in the Under 15 section.

After the interval, we saw some very fine running. The Open 220 yards was won by Livingstone, with Stathoulis again second. The time was again a record. In the Under 16 220 yards event, the record was equalled by Gordon, who ran well and won quite easily. We were surprised to see Westpfahl beaten into third position not far from home in the Under 15 220 yards.

The Open and Under 15 long jumps were held together. Vermeulen jumped into second place for us in the open group, but we could get only a third place in the Under 15 group. Both previous records were broken.

For the first time, the discus throw was contested. Vermeulen, who was expected to win, had two no-throws, but his third attempt, from a standing position gained us second place. Roux, also from a standing position, gained first place.

In the 440 yards Open, Booyens put on another of his magnificent spurts, to tie for second place. We had four "blackouts," one of which was the Under 15, 440 yards event.

The mile was a most interesting race. Our boys packed very well, having men in 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th positions, with one lap to go. With approximately 250 yards to go, a Springs boy challenged McConnell, and pulled ahead within 100 yards of home. McConnell was tiring fast, when Beadon sprinted like a 100 yard runner, to pass the post just behind the winner, (of Springs). The race was run in under 5 mins.

The next seven races were the relays, in which we did remarkably well. We were now in the happy position of being 10 points ahead, with 2 races to go. When 100 went up for Germiston the scoreboard collapsed, perhaps from amazement and joy. In the 8 x 110 yards, we put ourselves in an unbeatable position, by gaining second place in this event. We clinched the sports with a second place in the Standard Relay.

In our stand, programmes and caps started flying into the air, as our boys went mad with excitement.

What a day! What a surprise!

Final Scores:—

GERMISTON	—	108 points.
SPRINGS	—	96 points.
MARISTS	—	63 points.

In closing, I should like to quote from last year's report by "Jock" Baird:-

"Congratulations to Springs and Marists Brothers — but a word of warning — we won't be content with being "inched" out of positions at the tape next year."

He was more prophetic than he knew.

—F.C.H.

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THE CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country races this year were chiefly remarkable for some fine running by seniors in Churchill House and the outstanding performances of A. Burgess, who won both junior and senior events in record times in the same afternoon with only twenty minutes interval between the end of one race and the beginning of the other. Burgess's time for the senior event, 17 min 58.5 secs, was 13.7 secs better than the old record. His time for the junior event (13 min. 44.1 secs) was not technically a record as the old course had been lengthened by 200 yards, but will probably not be beaten for a long time.

Results

Juniors: 1st Botha; 2nd Smuts; 3rd Churchill.
Seniors: 1st Churchill; 2nd Smuts; 3rd Botha.

Combined results:

1st Churchill	.195
2nd Smuts	.272
3rd Botha	.311
4th Montgomery	.313

Individual Results:

Juniors: 1st A. Burgess; 2nd A. Landman; 3rd F. van der Heuwel.
Seniors: 1st A. Burgess; 2nd T. Llewellyn; 3rd H. Musgrave-Beadon.

SWIMMING

We could hardly believe it when we saw that a beginning was at last being made to the building of a swimming bath in Delville; we waited impatiently while the official opening was postponed week after week; the days grew hotter and hotter, and then suddenly the cool green water glistened in the bath and we dived in. For the first few days the bath officials could have put up a notice: "Standing Room Only." Obviously, we had to have a school gala—and what better way is there to spend the last morning of a term?

Our first gala, as a Boys' school, was held on 26th March. The weather was perfect, the spirit of those who swam and dived was good and the spectators enjoyed themselves, some of them discovering for the first time how exciting a swimming race can be. The times set up and the dives performed were not outstanding compared to established schoolboy standards, which are becoming alarmingly high; but no one expected miracles and no one was therefore disappointed.

Although our first gala was enjoyable and therefore a success, we should set ourselves three aims for the future. Firstly, we must improve our standard, if we are to take part in inter-school galas; secondly, we must eliminate such elementary faults in relay racing as caused the disqualification of a number of teams; and thirdly, we must increase the number of those actually taking part in our galas. This year, understandably, only 34 boys swam in our gala, which meant that some of them entered for far more races than they should have: four boys swam eight races each. When more take part in future there will be less strain on the few, and more will enjoy themselves.

Every boy should be able to swim, for it is an exercise which develops the whole body, teaches muscle co-ordination, self reliance and courage, and provides grand relaxation after a sultry day at school — quite apart from the fact that it is essential for anyone living or holidaying at river or seaside.

If you want to learn more about swimming, you will be welcomed as a member of the Germiston Swimming Club and get help at the Delville Baths from the coach, Mr. Evans, on three evenings of the week. The chairman of the club, Mr. van Niekerk, showed his interest by attending our first gala and we thank him for presenting the cups and donating a special floating trophy for the 4 x 50 metres senior relay race. We thank also Mrs. Zanoli and Mr. Glencross who, typical of all swimming enthusiasts, came out of their way to judge our diving.

—A.D.

Results

(The times given in brackets may be considered very good ones)

1. **100m Open Freestyle:** 1st N. Andrew; 2nd D. Russell; 3rd A. Gilchrist. Time 75.8 secs. (65 secs.).

2. **50m Under 14 Back Stroke:** 1st E. Berry; 2nd D. Fennessy; 3rd P. Liddiard. Time 43.8 secs. (37 secs.).

3. **50m Under 16 Breast Stroke:** 1st A. Jones; 2nd V. Nathanson; 3rd H. Ross-Kent. Time 39.6 secs.

4. **50m Open Back Stroke:** 1st N. Andrew; 2nd T. Taylor; 3rd M. Clarke. Time 41.6 secs. (37 secs.).

5. **20m Under 13 Freestyle:** 1st B. Siemers; 2nd A. Lithgow; 3rd J. Stott. Time 16.1 secs.

6. **100m Under 16 Freestyle:** 1st R. Hoy; 2nd A. Jones; 3rd N. Andrew. Time 77.5 secs. (66 secs.).

7. **400m Open Freestyle:** 1st D. Booyens; 2nd T. Taylor, 3rd R. Hosmer. Time 6 mins. 4 secs.

8. **50m Under 14 Breast Stroke:** 1st D. Edwards; 2nd D. Fennesay; 3rd L. Gilchrist. Time 54.6 secs. (45 secs.).

9. **50m Open Breast Stroke:** 1st A. Jones; 2nd G. Button; 3rd R. Davidson. Time 42 secs. (40 secs.).

10. **50m Under 16 Back Stroke:** 1st N. Andrew; 2nd E. Berry; 3rd D. Timcke. Time 41 secs. (37 secs.).

11. **Diving Open:** 1st K. Walker; 2nd A. Jones; 3rd D. Russell.

12. **50m Under 14 Freestyle:** 1st E. Berry; 2nd F. Dreyer; 3rd W. Johnson. Time 39.3 secs. (30 secs.).

13 **200m Open Freestyle:** 1st D. Booyens; 2nd A. Gilchrist; 3rd D. Russell. Time 2 mins. 46 secs. (2 mins. 16 secs.).

14. **Open Medley Relay:** 1st Montgomery; 2nd Botha; 3rd Churchill. Time 2 mins. 13 secs.

15. **Under 14 Relay:** 1st Botha; 2nd Smuts. Time 2 mins. 48 secs.

16. **Under 16 Relay:** 1st Montgomery; 2nd Smuts; 3rd Churchill. Time 2 mins. 30.8 secs.

17. **Relay (2 Under 14, 2 Open):** 1st Churchill; 2nd Montgomery; 3rd Botha. Time 2 mins. 37 secs.

18. **Relay (2 Under 16, 2 Open):** 1st Montgomery; 2nd Smuts; 3rd Churchill. Time 2 mins. 35.3 secs.

19. **Relay (2 Under 14, 2 Under 16, 2 Open):** 1st Montgomery; 2nd Churchill; 3rd Smuts. Time 3 mins. 58.6 secs.

20. **Open Freestyle Relay:** 1st Montgomery; 2nd Churchill; 3rd Botha. Time 2 mins. 30 secs.

Position of Houses:

1.	Montgomery	90 points
2.	Churchill	61 points
3.	Botha	57 points
4.	Smuts	31 points

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TEAM TIES AND COLOURS

First Team Ties:

Rugby: R. Vermeulen, B. Farquharson, S. Edwards, G. Button, N. Rautenbach, D. Simpson, P. Stathoulis, L. Gordon, G. Roux, J. Pieters, W. Rakusin, I. Brenner, M. McConnell, G. Milroy.

Cricket: C. Hunter, J. Pieters, S. Edwards, H. Caganoff, S. Fanaroff, W. Rakusin, L. Gordon, J. Williams, C. Babb.

Tennis: D. Baker, L. Evans, S. Fanaroff, D. Jackson, C. Babb, P. Jackson.

Athletics: R. Vermeulen, P. Stathoulis, A. Burgess, G. Roux, D. Booyens, L. Anderson, M. McConnell, D. Simpson, H. Musgrave-Beadon.

Swimming: N. Andrew.
Cadets: S/O. H. Brand, Drum-Major D. Petzer, Sergt.-Drummer L. Anderson.

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Cricket: S. Edwards, C. Hunter, J. Pieters.

Tennis: C. Babb, L. Evans, P. Jackson, S. Fanaroff, D. Baker.

Athletics: R. Vermeulen, J. Pieters, D. Booyens, P. Stathoulis, A. Burgess, G. Roux.

Cadets: S/O. H. Brand, Drum-Major D. Petzer, Sergt.-Drummer L. Anderson.

Cricket Colours for 1953:
M. Broekhuizen, M. Kessel, D. Clarke, J. W. Baird, E. J. Waugh, C. J. Bates.

MAGAZINE PRIZES

Senior: S. M. Hirst.
Junior: I. Drennan.

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PARENTS/TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

In February this year, the school took an important step, and formed a constituted body to be known as The Germiston Boys' High School Parents/Teachers Association. This took the place of the 'Parents' Committee,' which had been in operation for many years, and whose members had without doubt worked unceasingly for the school, but had no constitution, or official recognition.

The new body elected its executive committee which was comprised of the old Parents' Committee, some very welcome new blood, and what was most significant, members of the teaching staff. Thus equipped, the association commenced its activities with a co-operative spirit between Parent and Teacher previously undreamed of.

In reviewing the activities of the P.T.A. during the year, one is at a loss to pick out any one event that stands out above the others, and whether social or fund-raising, every function was a success.

The Ball in April was the first event of the year, and was well patronised by all connected with the school. Thanks must go to the organisers for an event that was a tremendous social and financial success.

Proof of the existing co-operation between the teaching staff and parents, if such proof was necessary, was provided when the teachers held their social. This was something new, and no praise is too high for their efforts to meet and discuss problems concerned with pupils in their charge. It is regretted that more parents did not take advantage of this opportunity, but those that did attend were, without exception, considerably enlightened and delighted to meet the teachers, many of whom prior to that evening had been just names. The staff is to be congratulated on a successful experiment, and one, it is hoped, that will be repeated next year.

The Braaivleis and Dance in October, turned out to be a miniature Fête, and therefore required a lot of organising, but the results justified the efforts of the hard-working executive committee.

The school's annual Sports Day was as usual excellent, and was exceptionally well attended. Thanks are due to Mr. Robinson and staff, for this fine achievement.

The school concert was again up to the expected high standard, and the school is indeed fortunate to possess such a lot of talented pupils, and teachers who have the ability to make the most of these talents.

Now a vote of thanks to the ladies, who are always at hand to serve refreshments, whether the function is organised by the school, the Parents/Teachers Association, or is a school cricket match.

At this stage, that bulwark of the association, the Secretary, is due for thanks. Her untiring, and arduous efforts, have led to the smooth and efficient running of the association during the past year.

A vote of thanks to the parents and friends of the school, whose support has enabled the executive committee to make this year, its first year, a successful one.

S. R. Liddiard,
Chairman.

We thank the following for accepting nomination as Honorary Vice-Presidents:

Dr. J. R. Warren.
Mr. J. Ross.
Dr. A. Jankowitz.
Dr. D. E. Mackenzie.
Mr. H. Porter.
Mr. A. Gibb.
Mr. H. Davidoff.
Mr. B. Cohen.
Mr. T. Davidson.

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THE OLD GERMISTONIAN SOCIETY

The Committee for 1954/55.
Misses G. Ford, M. Millard.
Messrs. H. Baird, J. Baird, C. Davidson, K. Allen D. Wilson, D. Clarke, D. Biddle, A. McConnachie, L. Weeks.

Unfortunately Miss Maureen Millard had to resign from the Society owing to pressure of work. Mr. Leon Weeks who was elected chairman, is now in England for an indefinite period. His enthusiasm and energy will be missed on the committee. Mr. H. Baird succeeded Mr. Weeks as chairman.

Review of Past 12 Months

Third Annual Ball.

This unfortunately turned out to be both a social and financial flop. Everyone is to blame, that is, both the committee and members, for their poor response. Since then the Society has been in the doldrums. The Society has been burdened with debt, and it is only now, thanks

to the enthusiastic committee, that we are able to stand in our feet again.

Monthly Socials.

Both the September and October Socials were successes, financially as well as socially.

Chairman's Thoughts.

I have been asked to give my opinion as regards the future of the Society. I am going to be very frank. This is the 6th consecutive year that I have served on the committee, and I can claim to have gained an insight into the affairs of the Society.

I have always been an optimist as far as the Society is concerned, and I am still optimistic. **But** I feel that from next year onwards the Society should consist of past pupils of the Boys' High School only. This statement will no doubt shock many a past pupil. You now ask why I make this statement. Because the Girls' High School is definitely a new school, and the Girls cannot be expected to have any feeling for the Society, which was born out of the old Germiston High School, and which is today the Boys' High School.

What of the girls who used to go to the Germison High School? If there are girls who went to this school, and are enthusiastic about the Society, then I say let them become honorary members, who can attend functions and even become members of the committee. **What of the past pupils of the Girls' High School?** They are entitled to have their own past pupils association. I think the staff at that school will agree with me.

The Society even if it is to be for boys only, cannot, until it has purchased its own ground, hope to be anything of a sporting club. I do definitely advocate a number of Past Pupil versus the School rugby, tennis, cricket and even swimming matches.

I believe the Society should have at least a dozen annual events, three of which should be grand reunions of past students. One of these should be the Annual Ball. The other nine events could be socials, and sports events.

Each committee should set itself a target, say £150 per year.

The main aim of the Society should be "To unite the Boys, and enable them to continue, as past pupils, friendships they started as schoolboys."

The Society could never exist without the school, and therefore it should assist the school at all times.

In other words, I believe that if the Society is to exist it must be reorganised. I will press for these reforms in the new year.

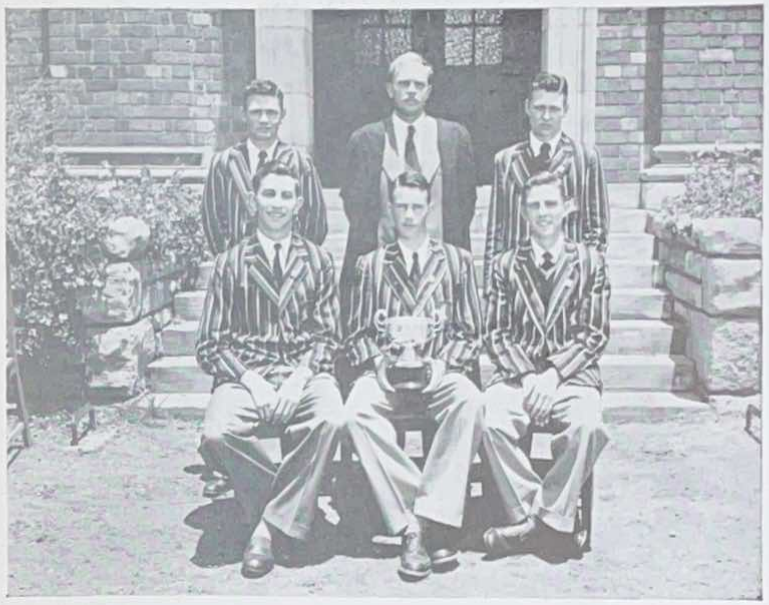
News Items.

Sidney Brenner, whom we last wrote about in our 1952 issue, is to return to Germiston. He is one of the most brilliant boys to leave our school, has won two prizes for articles he has written on "Research into Cancer." He has been doing research work at London University, and lately at the New York Hospital, and the University of Southern California. He will receive a Doctor of Science degree at Oxford University before returning home. Sidney is now married, and is a father. His wife, by the way, is a Doctor of Philosophy.

Congratulations to "Mickey" Holton, a former school rugby captain, who has represented the Eastern Transvaal Rugby Football Union regularly at full-back this season; and to Derek Shaw, also a former 1st XV player, who has lined up regularly on the wing for the Transvaal Under 19 Fifteen. Also to Doug. Davies who at the age of seventeen has represented South Africa at the thrilling game of speedway, and D. Kennedy, who this year represented South Africa at the Empire Games as a boxer.

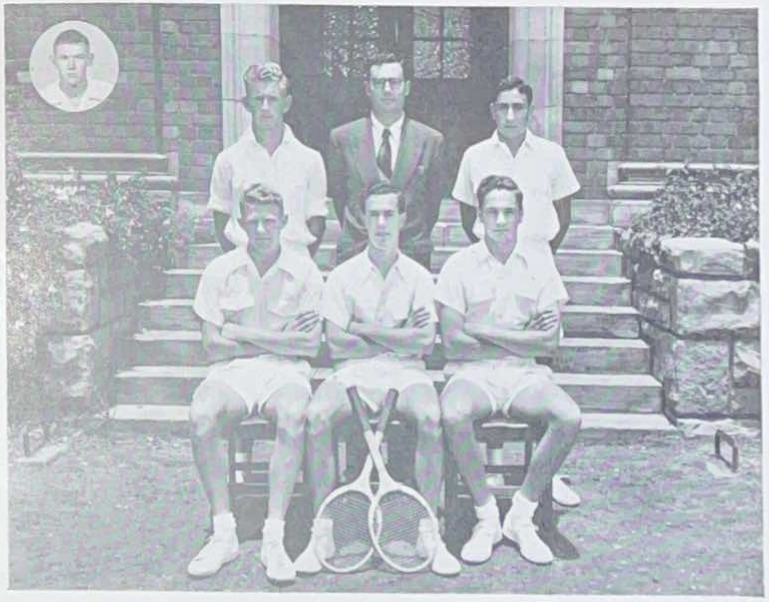
Congratulations also to Brian Murphy who represented Eastern Transvaal in the recent inter-provincial tennis tournament, and Hans Nijland who reached the finals of the Eastern Transvaal Men's Singles Championships. We notice with pleasure that Richard Corin, the J.S.A.R. first league cricketer is knocking on the door of the Transvaal XI. Congratulations also to Penny Maycock and Derek Carrington for being selected to run for the Junior Southern Transvaal Athletic Team. Derek, by the way, last year established a new national record for the junior mile, and today at eighteen is one of the leading milers in the country. The performances of John Armstrong, last years Transvaal Schools swimming captain, are also being keenly watched, and today John is one of the leading swimmers in the province, and indeed swam regularly for the Province last season.

—H.B.



SWIMMING TEAM 1954.

Front Row: **A. Gilchrist, N. Andrew (Captain), T. Llewellyn.**
Second Row: **R. Hoy, Mr. A. Dry, D. Russell.**



FIRST VI, 1954.

Front Row: **D. Jackson, L. Evans (Captain), S. Fanaroff.**
Second Row: **C. Babb, Mr. T. Morrison, D. Baker.**
Inset: **P. Jackson.**

IN MEMORIAM

ALLAN ARTHUR GORDON JAY

When Allan Jay was killed in a motor accident in Rhodesia on November 14th, a fine young life was brought to its earthly end with tragic suddenness.

Allan was one of the most distinguished pupils who have attended the Germiston High School. In 1947, he was the Dux Scholae. From us, he went on to the University of the Witwatersrand, where he had splendid results. Having won a Chamber of Mines scholarship on entering the University, he achieved the honour of a gold medal in his degree year, and was then awarded a valuable research scholarship overseas.

Brilliance of this kind is seldom accompanied — as it was with Allan Jay — by outstanding ability as a games-player. But here was the true all-rounder, the natural player of games, the obvious team-captain, the leader.

So he is remembered at his old school not only for his work as a scholar, but also as a skilled performer in cricket, tennis and rugby. Moreover, his truly Christian character, his loyalty and his modesty set a pattern for his fellows.

To learn as we did — with feelings of grief and of deep sympathy for all his relatives and for his betrothed — of the early end of so promising a life, is indeed saddening.

But we must also remember to be thankful for the bright picture Allan leaves behind in the memory of all who knew him — an exemplar for manly young men.

Not in vain did he live and die.

"Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify our Father which is in Heaven."

—H.C.R.

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